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Religion and the Churches—A Round Million in Property—The Popular Conception of the Negro Church a Misnomer—Stately Edifices and Elaborate Furnishings—The Influence of Music—An Exalted Ministerial Standard—Shining Lights in the Galaxy of Pulpit Orators—Religious Catholicity and its Legitimate Results.

BY RICHARD W. THOMPSON

Not a more striking evidence of the Negro's devotion to religious institutions is found anywhere than in the eighty-five churches of Washington. The total value of church property may be safely estimated at $1,000,000, and the buildings are, for the most part, imposing structures of brick and stone, with several modeled after the latest and most approved styles of ecclesiastical architecture. The unsophisticated pilgrim, whose mental picture of the typical Negro church had associated our people with poor, tumble-down shanties, with cracked walls, patched roof and dingy windows, some, perhaps, stuffed with stray contributions from the congregational wardrobe, would open his eyes with astonishment when told that these magnificent edifices were not the places of worship of the best white citizens.

In the more fashionable churches the interior decorations and furnishings are ornate and elaborate, with massive pipe organs, costly Mosaic memorial windows and a choir is maintained, strong as to chorus and led by soloists of distinguished ability. The music is of a superior order, embracing selections from the masters of sacred melody, and the directors are, invariably, men of remarkable patience, industry, musical experience, and who understand the saving influence of rigid discipline. The song service is recognized as a vital factor in solving the problem of how to make an attractive service for the masses, and the influential assistance of appropriate music by affording a graceful foil for the sterner ministerial effort, is readily conceded by the advanced theologian. Some of the more prominent choristers are Profs. John T. Layton, T. L. Furby, J. Henry Lewis and W. G. Avant.

EVERY CONCEIVABLE DEMONSTRATION and shade of religious belief is largely represented here, with the Baptists, Methodists, Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Catholics and Congregationalists leading in the order given. This wonderful catholicity of religious belief is highly complimentary to the Negro's intellectual dependence, and betokens a quality of thought and freedom of action that promise well for him in other relations of life. Of course orthodoxy prevails by a tremendous majority, but the untrammeled atmosphere has evolved a large number of the non-conformist class, variously styled as atheists, materialists, agnostics, christian scientists, seventh-day adventists, unitarians, etc., ad libitum. Many of these unite with the more liberal churches, on general propositions, and while reserving the right to construe minor points of doctrine as judgment and conscience may dictate, they do a valuable work in the elevation of mankind and shed sunlight upon the community.

A HIGH GRADE MINISTRY.

Washington is to be congratulated upon the high character of her ministry. Almost without exception they are men of liberal education, carefully trained in theology, eloquent or convincing orators and handle their subject with logical force and directness of argument. They exert a most healthful influence in the temporal walks of life, as well as in the spiritual, and take a deep interest in all the organizations looking to the betterment of the race's condition. In such scholarly company, and amid such exalted standards, it is not strange that the ignoramus, the bigot, the drone, or scalawag, who may, by cunning devices, foist himself temporarily upon a congregation, speedily finds himself persona non grata—an unacceptable quantity—and drops outside of the breastworks. Among the divines who have impressed their worth and work in this field are: Dr. Francis J. Grimke, of the Fifteenth street Presbyterian church; Dr. J. T. Jennifer of the Metropolitan A. M. E. church; Dr. Alex Crummell, formerly rector of St. Luke's Episcopal church; Dr. Mitchell of St. Mary's Episcopal church; Rev. Walter H. Brooks of the Nineteenth street Baptist church; Rev. W. A. Creditt of the Berean Baptist church; Rev. W. Bishop Johnson of the Second Baptist church; Rev. G. W. Lee of the Vermont avenue Baptist church; Rev. S. B. Wallace of Israel C. M. E. church; Rev. Sterling M. Brown of the Plymouth Congregational church; Dr. D. P. Seaton of Ebenezer A. M. E. church; Rev. F. A. Clinton of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Zion church, and Rev. W. H. Chambers of Galbraith Zion church, beisdes many more of undoubted ability and praiseworthy activity.

The era of church building is on, and new and enlarged edifices are springing up in all sections of the city, replacing the outgrown structures, no fewer than six being projected during the past year. Perhaps the most pretentious of the temples of worship now in course of erection, is the Second Baptist church on Third street, near H. The entire front is picturesque undressed stone, with an immense Mosaic center window, supplemented by smaller ones, and orioles of unique design. The interior equipment is to be in keeping with the fine exterior, and the whole, when completed, will cost $35,000. The ground is worth $15,000. Dr. Johnson expects to dedicate the main auditorium in September. The Fifteenth street Presbyterian church was recently remodeled at a cost of $10,000. Not one congregation in the city is wholly out of debt, and some are very deeply involved, but by shrewd business management they carry their burdens successfully, year in and year out, and keep pace with the more weighty demands of a rising civilization.

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Open Letter No. 14.

To the most casual observer, it is apparent that the colored people and Negroes, even were they welded together into one compact, invulnerable, indissoluble whole, can not wage a successful warfare with the firmly united and hostile Caucasian races. We must inevitably go down before a concentrated fire from this source. Wherever feasible and practicable, the Afro-American should form business, religious and marital alliances with the Germanic, Scandinavian and Latin races, embracing the Germans, Swedes, Norweigans, Bohemians, Huns, Slavs, Poles, French, Italians, Spaniards and Portugese, they being much freer from prejudice than other races of Caucasian origin, and a persistent, determined effort made all along the line to hurl from place and power the color-blind, prejudiced, crazed Anglo-Saxon and celt.

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State Grand Court Elect Officers.

Leadville, Col., Special.

Mrs. Ollie Turner is convalescing. Miss Viola Phillips is visiting in Denver. The public installation of officers of Pythagoras lodge No. 7 A. F. and A. M. took place on the 24th of May. Mrs. J. W. Young has returned from Denver, where she went to represent Adah Court No. 69 in the organization of a Grand Court on the 25th o' June. Officers elected were as follows: Mrs. A. E. Anderson of Denver, Most Ancient Grand Matron; Mrs. J. W. Young of Leadville, V. G. M. Mrs. C. R. Robinson, Colorado Springs, M. W. G. J.; Mrs. H. Shipton, Denver, G. T.; Mrs. Cora L. Knot, Colorado Springs, Secy; Mrs. E. E. Russ, Denver, G. C. Lecturer; Grand I. G., Mrs. L. Howard of Denver; G. O. G., Mrs. F. Johnson of Colorado Springs; Grand Court Directors, C. P. Williams, Pueblo; C. Connell, Denver; T. S. Stewart, Leadville; F. Curtis, Colorado Springs; T. J. Riley, Denver; N. Ockey, Denver, and A. J. Yound of Leadville. The Court closed at 5 o'clock and repaired to the hall where the officers were duly installed by Past G. M., T. J. Riley. A banquet was given which was a grand success financially.

On the Road.

EDITOR FREEMAM:

After the Commencement exercises were over at Hilsdale, Michigan, I attended the Ministerial Institute held in Jackson, Mich. I suppose some one has already written you concerning it, so the world through the columns of the leading Negro journal on earth might know what the preachers are doing in Michigan. They are ever learning and not imitating. I wish all the Methodist preachers had been there, especially of the A. M. E. C. In addition to this gatering the District Conference convened at the same time. I also visited Toldo. I found Rev. Dr. W. T. Anderson reading The Freeman. I had the pleasure of preaching for him Sunday night. Oh, that all the pastors had such helpers as Mrs. W. T. Anderson and Mrs. A. Cottman. C. E. Minor Put-In-Bay.

Personal Notes.

Shreveport, La., Special.

John Lewis and two of his friends tried to whip Morgan Stewart, but were defeated. All are colored. At St. James M. E. church a grand rally was held on the 30th of June, by which $104.15 was raised. Rev. J. W. Hudson is pastor. The young Masonics are moving along very fine. The excursion that was given by Wm. Harper on the 4th of July was a success. Encourage your friends to take The Freeman for themselves and stop reading yours. The Freeman will be delivered to your residence every Saturday and Sunday by Mr. Patterson or his carrier.

Wedding Bells.

Cartersville, Ga., Special.

Thursday evening July 4th, at 7:30 o'clock at Mt. Zion Baptist church, Miss Addie K. Brown was married to Lewis W. Allen, Rev. J. F. Bright officiating. Miss Addie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brown. She is a graduate of the spellman Seminary, Atlanta, Ga. She graduated in 1893, and returned home and was elected a teacher in the city public schools, which position she now holds. Mr. Allen is an eminent young man of this city. He stands high in all societies, and has charge of the Standard Oil delivery in the city. They were honored with the presence of more than 700 people to witness the scene. There were about two hundred of the best and wealthiest white people of the town present.

A WORD WITH OUR FRIENDS.

In Accordance With Last Week's Front Page Announcement

We Wish to Direct The Attention of Our Thousands of Friends, New And Old, That in Placing Our Annual Mid-Summer Rate at 75 Cents, to Run Until the 30th of This Month, We Were Actuated by Several Reasons, To Wit:

First. Commencing with this year we started out, as previously announced in these columns, to secure, by the first of June, '96, 10,000 NEW SUBSCRIBERS, and we have no apology to offer; that in pursuance of this desire we are leaving no stones unturned to accomplish that result

Secondly. We cannot denie what all the world knows that the last year has been the dullest, in business circles, known to our land since the great panic of '57. All classes and localities have been affected alike. People, honest, laboring, industrious friends of THE FREEMAN, and their names are legion, who for years have thought nothing, and were always prompt in their renewals, paying without a murmur the regular subscription price ($1.50) have, for many months found themselves, in thousand of instances, at their wits end to keep the ball "a-role'n." They have been willing to work but work was not to be had, or when obtained, those who were lucky, have been compelled to accept for their labor greatly reduced pay, or none at all. In the meantime expenses went on just the same. The payment on the little home had to be kept up, rents had to be met, small merchants and tradespeople were compelled to hoard their dollars few and far between for maturing obligations, or be compelled to stand helplessly by while the result of years of honest effort and toil slipped out of their grasp. The little ones, our boys and girls, in the meantime had to be fed, clothed and schooled, and, upon the whole, we repeat: The last year has been for all hands a most discouraging one. You would not believe us, did we deny

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has also been affected by the general monied depression and contraction, for we have; not in a few cases but many; not in one way, but in many ways. Among them may be enumerated: The falling off in **The Weekly Sales** of the paper as handled by **Old Conscientious Friends** and **Industrious Agents**. Hundreds upon hundreds of readers, who, for years, have been content, **Without Subscribing** to purchase THE FREEMAN weekly at five cents a copy have felt the necessity of denying themselves even this small privilege, or finding themselves in debt in many instances to the agent and really unable to pay, however willing, have gradually allowed themselves to drop from his list of customers. Many conscientious Agents, feeling the worth of THE FREEMAN as a general friend and educator of the race, believing that it should be

Found In Every Negro Family,

Have went down in their own pockets that we should have the money due us for papers furnished, but this, you know, could not go on forever, and we have been compelled to part company, temporarily with many of our good and faithful representatives. NEW AGENTS, and we are creating them weekly, frequently find themselves "out" by "trusting" their readers, and in eight out of ten cases THE FREEMAN is compelled to "hold the bag" at last. Many honest, intending agents who have ment to do what is right by us, ment to be honest, are honest and straightforward have been unable to meet their obligations, because the hard times prevented their customers from doing the same with them and it was for their benefit, for their help and encouragement, not losing sight of the 4,000 new subscribers yet needed to make up the ten thousand, that we concluded to outstrip all previous arrangements in the matter of liberality and offer

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FOR ONE WHOLE YEAR.

This is intended to encourage the agent, who has been a sufferer by a falling off of weekly customers. A few hours each day of earnest effort means many new subscribers for The Freeman, and many twenty-five cent piece in his pocket Many of their old subscribers, who have been in the habit of renewing through them, thus giving the Agent the benefit of the Commission paid; but who, so far this year, have refused, because of the dullness of the times will refuse no longer. Thousands of readers, not yearly subscribers, but who have been paying $2.60 a year for THE FREEMAN at the rate of 5 cents a copy will see the wisdom these hard times of saving $1.85 by sending us Seventy-five cents direct, and in the future having their paper cost them a trifle over 1⅓ cents a copy. Many professional men who have been putting off the "day of wrath," who, having received a Renewal Circular from us have been unable to at once respond NOW IS THEIR TIME. Members of "clubs" or those forming clubs, who have also felt the stringency of the times can now get together. This rate was made for them. People who, for years, have heard The Freeman praised as the greatest Negro journal, and who have frequently promised themselves and others to subscribe, but who have simply neglected to do so here is their opportunity. School teachers, with leasure on their hands, can, without interfering with their pleasures and rest, turn an honest dollar by putting in an hour or so each day soliciting for THE FREEMAN during the next thirty days We pay cash commissions. Are you idle? Are you tired of "waiting for things to move up? Don't wait any longer, the hustler moves them up. Go to work for THE FREEMAN. Help us to secure the remaing 4,000 of the 10,000 subscribers wanted, and by this means kill three birds with one stone. Serve your race; help us, help yourself. Our mail is freighted every day with words of encouragement and promises from good men and women of the race everywhere. But promises, dear friends, don't fill the bill, the thing is to DO. Address

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INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

Prof. McAdams Replies

Once More to the Rev. J. A. Jones—A Peppery Rejoinder.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Tennessee once had a famous governor, known as "Lean Jimmie Jones." It now has a distinguished statesman known as "Slippery Jim." Each of these appellations were descriptive of its bearer. I wish to add another "Jim" to Tennessee history. He is both lean and slippery, but this does not sufficiently describe him. He should be known as "Lean Slippery Lying Jim Jones," alias Rev. J. A. Jones. I will say in defense of this tripple title, that its bearer is a professional liar. I will put him against Baron Munchausen or any other prevaricator the world has ever seen. In his last article I counted twenty-nine unadulterated whoppers. His whole article is a column of concentrated lies. I will only answer a few of the statements of his satanic majesty, deeming these a satisfactory contradiction to the whole.

Lie No. 1.—"He flaunts a sheepskin from Fisk University." I hold two diplomas from Fisk. I have not even shown them to any person. I will pardon the gentleman (?) because I am satisfied he does not know the meaning of the word flaunt.

No. 2.—He speaks of my dismissal from Alcorn College. I was not dismissed. When I left Alcorn I secured and now have in my possession flattering recommendrtions from a majority of the members of the Board of Trustees. I also have letters of a similar character from the governor of the state. The chairman of the Board, Dr. J. A. Limerick, Rodney, Miss., among other things, said, "He has given entire satisfaction to both trustees and the school." When I went to Alcorn, I began with the lowest position in the school. I worked my way through all the intermediate grades to a full professorship. The President says in a recommendation I have that "Each promotion was made for faithfulness and efficiency." When a vacancy occurred in the presidency, though I was away, the students of their own accord, presented a petition to the Board to elect me to the place. This petition was signed by 120 of the 150 students on the grounds. These 120 included all but a fraction, of those who knew me. I refer any interested party to the Hon. I. E. Herring, Rodney, Miss., a member of the Board, to corroborate the above statements.

When the change was made at Alcorn, the board advertised that all candidates for the presidency must appear in person. The former president, under whose administration I had served, and who secured me a place at Alcorn, was a candidate. He was my friend; I desired to see him succeed, and refused to stand in his way. He was not elected. A new administration came in. I was told to "git" just as Jones was told to "git" when I was electrd principal over him. The only difference is he applied and I did not. I remained at Alcorn nine years. Has the Rev. L. S. L. J. Jones ever remained anywhere so long? Has he ever remained in the conference limit at any place? How long was he accident editor of the Southern Recorder? He refers to the president of the State Teachers' Association as to his record as a teacher. His record is like Mark Twain's chapter on snakes in Ireland, "There are none." He has no record. The school of which he is now principal has been degenerating ever since the day B. A. J. Nixon left it. During the last commencement, members of the Alumni, in the presence of the principal made all manner of fun of the school.

As to his record in the ministerial line, he proudly refers to the minutes, etc., of the Tennessee conference. If one will look in the last minutes of the Tennessee conference, he will see an Educational sermon delivered by Jones. As secretary of the conference, he read the proof sheets, hence the sermon appeared just as he wished it. In this sermon there are twenty-seven mistakes in grammar. "He is the President (?) of the Turner Normal," etc. He attempted in this same sermon, to show a knowledge of Greek, but only succeeded in showing that he does not even know the Greek alphabet. For instance, he says the word psychology comes from the Greek "psuka," etc.

He refers to any leading citizen of Nashville as to his citizenship. Such a reference is very indefinite. I suppose Rev. C. S. Smith, D. D., is a leading citizen. It would be interesting to get his opinion. I cannot refer to any leading citizen of Nashville, for there are many with whom I am not acquainted. (Jones is acquainted with them all.) I will be definite, however, and refer to Presiding Elder B. A. J. Nixon, M. A., Rev. B. Green, P. E., Ex-Pres. J. H. Burrus, M. A., Pres. E. M. Cravath, of Fisk University, and R. F. Boyd, M. D., all of Nashville.

No. 3.—He says that I have told a half dozen different stories about those charges. I have made only one statement. This I made first, last, and will make it all the time. As the half dozen stories are not mentioned, I will pass.

No. 4.—Bro. Jones says I want a place; that I want whatever I can get. I did want the principalship of the public school, and asked for it and got it, to your great sorrow and mortification. As to the other place, I am paying the lowest hand on my farm more than you got as principal of the Turner Normal last year. That is if your report to the board is correct. There is no way to test the correctness of your report.

No. 5.—He says I went to Natchez, Tenn., and allowed the little A. M. E. school there to die. This is an unpardonable falsehood. I taught the school nine months, the full session. The school did not die, but was taught last year as usual. I was urged to continue in the school. Special efforts were made to induce me to stay. When it was found that I would not accept a place in Wards' Academy, leading citizens endeavored to secure my services as principal of the city schools. In support of the above statements, I refer to Hon. G. F. Bowles, member of the legislature; L. J. Winston, Esq., Circuit Court clerk; J. B. Banks, M. D., and Rev. A. J. Russell, pastor of the A. M. E. church, all of Natchez, Miss. I make the further statement that I received more money during the nine months that I was in Natchez, for my service as principal, than the whole Turner faculty did last year, (that is if your statement to the board is correct.) I state further that I paid my first assistant more money than was paid to any two members of the Turner faculty last year, the President included, (that is, if the report you made is correct.) I can present figures, signed by the Trustees of Wards' Academy, in support of these statements. They keep a check on the collecting agent and can tell exactly how much he collects.

No. 6.—He says that after weeks of trial, I managed to get back home. He nearly told the truth here, but his lying propensity was so strong that he could not control it. Everyone knows that the railroads of the country were tied up last July by the strike. The roads over which I had to travel were blocked. I did make two efforts to get through before I succeeded.

No. 7.—He says I went to Nashville to practice law and failed; and the last he heard of my office fixtures they were in a certain furniture store in Nashville waiting my order, accompanied with the cash. (Jim look in your dictionary and learn the meaning of the word "fixtures." You are too much given to this kind of thing. In your pulpit you frequently use words wholly out of their place. Stop it. You will make some one think you were educated in a country school.)

For answer to the above, I subjoin the following statements which will explain themselves. I hold the originals and will cheerfully exhibit them to any interested party:

"This is to certify that the statement made by J. A. Jones in regard to the office furniture of J. C. McAdams, Esq., is untrue and unworthy of a gentleman. The delay in sending the furniture was my own, and Mr. McAdams was in no way responsible for it. I further state that the law partnership formed between Mr. McAdams and myself was highly satisfactory, and that I regretted to have him leave. I have the highest confidence in his ability as a lawyer and a scholar, and am satisfied that he will be felt and known wherever he abides.

"S. A. McELWEE.
"408 Cedar street, Nashville, Tenn."

"To whom it may concern:

"We hereby state that the office furniture of J. C. McAdams, Esq., did not come into our hands through him, nor has he had any connection with it. The furniture was placed in our hands for shipment by Hon. S. A. McElwee. We would further state that any one who would pick up a rumor, distort it and state it as a fact, does not make a good witness and such testimony should be taken with a large grain of salt.

HARRIS & BARBOUR,
"Furniture Dealers,
"403 Cedar street, Nashville, Tenn."

The simple facts about this matter are these: Last fall I formed a law partnership with the Hon. S. A. McElwee. Our practice averaged about $200 a month, as our books will show. Our business was continually improving. I took sick and came home to recuperate. I was detained here several weeks. Because of this detention, and in view of the fact that my farming and other interests were demanding my attention, I decided to remain. Mr. McElwee has written me repeatedly to return, and has not yet released me from our agreement I wish to inform Bro. Jones that I collected more money from the first two cases I had after coming to Shelbyville than he received for his whole year's work as President (?) of Turner Normal.

No. 8.—He says the statement which I published is a blank forgery. Just what kind of forgery this is I don't know. I stated in my former reply that I retained the original; this is sufficient answer. The secretary says that the statement of Jones is false.

No. 9.—He says my father apologized for me. My father says he neither apologized nor made anything like an apology. He is corroborated by several members of the board.

No. 10.—He says I was elected to teach here by scheming. The chairman of the board of directors, Mr. W. G. Hight, said to me in the presence of P. W. Patterson and R. L. Whitesides that this statement is wholly without foundation.

No. 11.—He says the general board was satisfied with the financial system. The general board made a complete change in the system. He says the local board made no complaint about the scholarship. How many of the local board visited the examinations? I was there every day, and I don't remember seeing a member present. Who then is the more competent to speak of the scholarship. I could state some things which I observed during the examinations, which would be anything but complimentary to the principal as teacher, but I will refrain.

Rev. Jones says that I did not intend to reflect on his morals, and if I had, this newspaper discussion never would have been, and that he would have settled it in another way, etc. Now to end this newspaper controversy I make the following statements: I now include J. A. Jones in the charge made against the management of the school; I charge J. A. Jones with being particeps criminis. My former statements were sufficiently plain for a lunatic to understand, but as Rev. Jones doesn't comprehend them I will now change my phraseology. I say to you, sir, that the idea of you attempting to defend your moral character, makes even the dogs of Shelbyville

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A Good Word For

"Old Wilberforce"—The Injection of New Blood

And the Promotion of New Ideas have Proven Beneficial.

EDITOR FREEMAN.

A great many who, a few months ago, regarded the various criticisms of Wilberforce which appeared in the papers, as an evil, have now come to a more correct and intelligent conclusion. It is almost impossible to believe in the reality of the improvements that have been made. The session of the Trustee Board was more productive of actual fruits this time than ever before in the memory of many who have been present for years. No grave issue was evaded, no pet schemes of cliques were railroaded through, but deliberation and a firm purpose to act wisely and well, characterized the entire session. True, there were some moments of intense excitement and stern conflict of opinion, but there was no pandering and no bull-dozing. Some measures may have been adopted which a minority deemed unwise, but the decisions were so fairly reached that no one is unwilling to bow gracefully to the majority.

It was clearly to be seen that discipline has been maintained during the year. The introduction into the faculty of Prof. Dubois, has already produced marked improvements. He constitutes a link between Wilberforce and the outlaying world, along which has flowed some of the modern ideas of educational methods and aims. Through Prof. Scarborough and Prof. Dubois, Wilberforce puts in her appearance at educational conventions and among the educators of the land.

This year we see no need to criticise the work of our great school, but gladly join the chorus commending President Mitchell. He did not shut his eyes to whatever of justice there was in the criticisms made, but went to work and made it impossible to repeat them. His only error was the yielding to an impulse, but he nobly retrieved. He, no doubt, like many more of us, has come to regard it wise to yield to facts, and bow to the logic of events. The time for gloss and veneer is past, solid work is called for.

All that is now needed to assure the continued advance of Wilberforce, is persistency—in the task of introducing new laborers. Prof. Edward Clark was added. Next year one or two more should be brought in. Thus, gradually, the entire faculty can be brought up to the modern standard.

Miss Lizzie I. Hall, of Dayton, in her essay, said: "In the growth and development of the activities of the world, there is always a spirit of inquiry and search for that which is higher and truer. Theories and practices are taken up to be stripped of all that is good, then thrown aside, abandoned for what is deemed newer and better. This is pre-eminently so in the educational world." This true conception of things is due to light from the outside world that found its way in somehow. How? Prof. Dubois is a modern product. Some of us expected to see him assailed and quietly awaited the onset, but were delightfully surprised to find that grand old Wilberforce welcomed the light and goes steadily forward. Prof. Dubois not only has modern ideas, but has modest manhood and did not compromise with ignorance. He simply was true to his convictions and went forward and thus won respect from all. No unkindness is intended toward those who have been faithful in the past, but the stern requirements of the hour demand modern men. Graduates of years ago who have given no time to summer schools or other means of keeping up, are simply out of date. This is only a plain statement of a patent fact. Wilberforce is not a family property nor a local concern. The great A. M. E. Church is the guardian of her destiny. Many of the best men of the church came to the Board meeting, and before their set and stern faces cliques melted and right prevailed. The great A. M. E. Church will never relinquish her Wilberforce to the few.

It cost some of the brethren nearly one hundaed dollars car fare to come, but they were on hand. They did not go to this great expense just for the fun of it, nor did they come so far merely to sanction by their hasty votes the unexplained recommendations of the few. Before voting they demanded explanations and asserted their right to express opinions. They were meant in spirit of candor and fairness which made all of us feel good.

J. I. Lowe, a great, good hearted giant with thunder in his throat, kept everybody in good spirits. The calm, wise words of Dr. Embry averted many errors. The terse inquiries of Dr. Preston brought out many facts. The learned observations of Dr. Conner lent dignity to the discussions. Dr. Derrick, ever liberal in his views, suggested several new ideas. Dr. James A. Johnson, fresh from school, never failed to inject a needed word of caution at the right moment. Altogether the great A. M. E. church furnished a display of men of whom she may well be proud. Several candidates failed to utter even one word and many thought that they were holding in because afraid to frankly express opinions that might not be popular. It would be well for all to remember that the day has come when men will be chosen because of their manliness. In the stern struggles that await her, the church needs men of convictions and courage, not cowards. More anon.

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New York City, N. Y.

Birthday Party.

Cobden, Ill., Special.

In the case of the city against W. P. Mesler for selling box material on Sunday, the city was defeated. Mrs. Ida Bell of Makanda, daughter of Mr. and and Mrs. Jones, has a fine boy, and Mrs. Jones and her granddaughter, Gracie, went to Makanda on the 4th to see about the boy. Charles Hollings of Carbondale was in the city the past week soliciting means to get himself a cork leg. Elder Thomas Richardson of the Missionary Baptist church is giving a series of entertainments for the benefit of the church. The Sunday school at the Christian church is prospering under Supt. C. A. Blankenship, Allen Stancil will be home in a few days from St. Louis. Mrs. Barbara Stancil gave her daughter Mary a birth day party in honor of her 14th birthday on the 2nd. The Board of Education has employed Prof. A. L. Bliss of Effingham, Ill., superintendent of the city schools, vice Prof. Geo. E. Clendenen resigning. Miss Sarah E. Toney who has been absent several years, returned from East St. Louis last week to visit old friends. Mrs. James Horton and her two grandchildren spent the 4th in Carbondale. Miss Jane Johnson of Carbondale is visiting at Mrs. Annie Tobin's.

A Progressive City.

Houston, Texas, Special.

Houston is one of the most progressive cities of the State of Texas. Inhabitants run up to sixty-one thousand. Fifteen thousand colored. We have the following colored merchants: R. Gleed & Co.; R. S. Stout & Co.; J. Covington, J. B. Bell, and W. B. Jones also H. J. Beasely. Rev. J. W. Rankins, a most progressive A. M. E. church minister, makes Houston his home. He is presiding elder of this district. Rev. F. L. Lights, a prominent Baptist minister, and Rev. H. Watts have their homes here. H. T. Brock and Lelia Lacone, both of this city, were quitely married at the bride's residence recently. They are among Houston's best. Miss Hattie A. Coleman, of Shreveport, La., is in our city, the guest of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Rankins. The 19th of June was recently celebrated here as Emancipation day. Prof. D. Abner, president of Guadalupe College, is in the city. Mrs. J. H. Vigal and husband are conducting a series of gospel meetings in a spacious tent which she has had raised She is a great revivalist.

Emancipation Celebration.

Denison, Tex., Special.

At the celebration of Emancipation on the 19th of June, Revs. E. H. Garlaun, W. D. Hill, Wormley and Prof. A. H. Terrell were the orators of the day. Revs. J. W. Smith, W. D. Hill, Misses Laura J. Hill and Parthenia Dupee have been elected delegates to the National Convention at Atlanta, Ga. Rev. W. D. Hill has returned home. Misses Ella Warnell, Mary Walker, Maggie Jones, Clara Mixon, Clara Coleman, Mary Hawkins, Mollie Shelton, Debora Morgan and Georgia Reynolds and Messrs. R. O. Dorsey and Jay Coleman have returned from their nine month's stay in school. Miss Gertie Motley is visiting friends in Whitesboro. The city has electric cars running. The Odd Fellows are putting up a hall corner Bond street and Fannin avenue. The delegates who have been attending the Masonic Grand lodge of the state report a good time and a successful session.

Masons Entertained.

Sulphur Springs, Tex., Special.

The East Caney people entertained the Masons of Sulphur Springs the 23rd ult. Dr. J. D. Moore, Prof. F. M. Stanford and Rev. J. R. Robinson made addresses. J. R. Robinson and T. A. Gilbreth have returned from the Masonic Grand lodge at Sherman. Mrs. Belle Alexander returned to Windsor the 25th. Miss M. A. Holman and A. English passed creditable examinations before the County Board and were granted certificates to teach school. Miss Adelia Easter of Waco, has opened a music school in the city. B. W. Watson is erecting a house on his lot on Jackson street. Deaths: Silas McQueen and Mrs. P. W. Wilkerson.

Closing of the Normal.

Arkadelphia, Ark., Special.

The district normal school closed on the 28th of June. The number of teachers enrolled sixty. Prof. S. T. Boyd, conductor, is a sharp chorister. Brave as a lion and chivalrous as a knight. During the session Dr. Berry, of Little Rock, lectured to the teachers on physiology and higenie. Prof. J. E. Carter on psycology. Both of which were interesting and highly appreciated. On the evening of the 27th ult. the teachers tendered a reception, at the Odd Fellows hall, in behalf of Prof. S. S. Boyd. Prof. J. E. Carter and F. L. Jones, M. S., spoke. Prof. Boyd was endorsed by the teachers in the highest hopes of coducting the next normal to be held in this district.

THE NEGRO'S HELL.

(TUNE: "There is a Fountain Filled," etc.)

Here is a country cursed of blood
Drawn from the Negro's vein!
They shoot and burn, or beat with rod
Until the creature's slain.

They cut and flay and scrape their bones;
Their carcasses burn up!
They rape our women! steal their homes!
Destroy their other stuff.

From late at night till early morn
They, Negroes seek to slay;
They murder them ere they've been born!
Their fury to allay.

The hellish fiends rejoice to see
The Negroes in their pain!
And with their voices full of glee
Proclaim; "More Negroes slain"

The mob return and say: "The brutes
Confesed the guilt we sought;"
The sheriff, mob, are in "cahcots"
No lynchers are there caught.

And if a Negro strikes at one
They raise a hellish cry—
A Negro riot has begun!"
More Negroes now must die.

Poor helpless creatures lose their life
Who never did deflour
Fair maiden, nor anothe's wife
Although had tney the power.

They brought us here against or will
The thieves and bandits too!
We've earned our bread, we'll do so still;
We'll fight the battle through!

The southern hell-hounds, whisky bloats,
Essay the race to chide;
The soulless devils cut our throats
And skin us ere we've died!

And when they've angels made of us
Our bones, they scrape them clean!
The race should feign to make a fuss
They mob all Negroes seen!

They build a fire as hot as hell,
Our carcasses throw on;
Associated Press they tell
About the Negroes' wrong.

This epitaph they then inscribe
"Here lie some Negro brutes;
No souls have Negroes! We decide
We send them more recruits."

O suff'ring brethern of this land
The pill is hard to take!
But let us by each other stand—
A compact let us make.

And dabble less in politics.
Get education, wealth;
Then we can kick against the pricks—
A power make yourself.

If patiently we'll stand and wait
Salvation to receive;
Although so grevious is our fate
Our God will us relieve.

Let us, each other, learn to love
And trust the colored man;
And look to Him in heaven above
To that Great Helping Hand!

Nay, hell will never claim its own
Until we send these men!
So fight the battle, though alone
Like heroes fight, and die like men!

W. ROB'T B. ALEXANDER,
Hot Springs, S. D.

Closing of Rocky Hill School.

Courtland, Ala., Special.

Lawrence county is the only county in the state of Alabama which casts a majority of Republican votes and has them counted. "Old Lawrence" is known as the banner Republican county. The Rocky Hill school of which your humble servant is principal, closed a few days ago with an examination which was witnessed by over 200 people of both races. Speeches were delivered by men of distinction of both races. There was an exhibition of the school at night. The colored teachers of Lawrence county met in institute on the 21st and 22nd ult. Prof. H. H. Stewart acted as chairman your humble servant secretary. The colored people here have subscribed $1,000 as an inducement to get the Home Mission Society of New York to locate the Ministerial and Industrial Institute here which they think of locating at Huntsville, Tuscumbia or here. If we can be successful in getting the school it will be a step upward and in the right direction.

A Cyclone.

Graysport, Miss., Special.

On June 29th a terrible cyclone swept over the northern section of this neighborhood during much damage to crops. It completely destroyed the corn and cotton of A. Foreman. H. A. Rounsoville, one of our active Sunday school members has gone to Charleston to take up his school. Under the supervision of our efficient teacher, Miss Nina M. Green, the school will prove a success. D. L. Green was shocked by lightuing on the 26th of June. Miss Hady Rounsoville is visiting her sister. Mrs. Wilson. Mrs. Ann Rounsoville is convalescing. Miss Luella Jones is visiting her aunt, Mrs. G. W. Spearman. There will be an ice cream supper at Rounsoville C. M. E. church on the 5th. There was a railroad picnic here the 4th.

The "Normal" Teachers' Institute.

Camden, Ark., Special.

The Normal school opened June 30th at the public school house and has been in session for four weeks. It will be held quarterly. Rev. L. J. Johnston of Pine Bluff, was appointed to teach. Rev. Ramsey, county examiner of Onachita, paid the teachers a visit June 19th, 1895, and organized a teachers' Institute to be held quarterly at Camden.

A RECENT PROGRAM RENDERED.

Song, school; invocation, Rev. J. L. Johnston; song, school; essay, Miss R. A. Criner; solo, Miss N. A. Nunn; essay, Miss Aurilla Torrance; essay, Alabama Gathlin; solo, Nannie A. McCormick; essay, Miss Ruth Daily; song, school; oration, Mr. G. W. Torrance; declamation, Miss M. A. Johnson; essay, Miss F. F. Frazier; duet, Miss M. Starlard, Ella Reeves; select reading, Miss Mary Sterling; select reading, Mary L. Green; solo, Mattie M. Green; song, school; essay, Mr. G. T. Laster; debate, Resolved that the Negro can develop the fullest manhood in America. Affirmative Miss Mary J. Sterling, Rev. D. B. Bolden, negative, Alabama Gatlin, Mr. S. Anderson. Decision in favor of the negative.

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CHAPTER VI.

I had forgotten the incident by the following Monday noon, and was sitting at my desk reading the latest issue of the "National Afro-American Fog Horn," while the children were sitting outside eating their dinners. I was deeply interested in the editor's foolish, illogical and pessimistic editorial in which he said that this was a white man's country; that Africa was our "fatherland and future home;" that we could never get our political, social and civil rights in this country, and that education and wealth would not and could not raise us in the estimation of the white folks or in any way better our condition. I had reached the conclusion that the Fog Horn's editor was what the white people of the South would call a "good nigger," when I heard a strange, sweet voice say: "Good evening, Mr. Lee."

Looking up to my astonishment I found a graceful, brown-eyed maiden about seventeen by my side, with several large books under her right arm, while she toyed with one of her braids of hair with the other hand. I looked at her beautiful face for upwards of a minute, and then said: "Good morning, Miss," forgetting it was nearing 1 o'clock.

"I have come to school; I tried to get here this morning, but could not; please sir, what seat will I take?"

I did not answer for several minutes, but sat spell-bound looking at my pretty new scholar, who was standing with down-cast eyes waiting my reply. I had never been in love—in fact I did not think such a state existed only in the illogical stories and poems of the day; the ravings of the heated brain of poet or novelist, worked up by something stronger than water I knew produced the lovers and the loved. I had never given marriage a thought and never longed for the society of the fairer sex. My ambition aimed higher than that of a love-sick lover. I was now conscious that I was in love; that it was love at first sight; that the best poets and novelists had not—could not—one quarter describe the emotion. I came to these conclusions in eight short minutes (as I have since been told was the time by the clock.) I then found words to say: "Please take the first seat on the left hand side."

My new pupil deposited the books in the desk, walked out and stood by herself on the girl's side of the play ground. I stood in the door way and watched her graceful form until the clock struck 1. Oh, what a model for a skilled painter's brush! Female perfection describes my new pupil, still for the better information of the reader who has never seen such a beauty I will say: Imagine the prettiest Afro-American maiden you ever saw, multiply the result by one thousand and you have a slight idea of the beauty of my new pupil. At Cedar Hill every Afro-American's complexion was measured by the standard of "yaller." The quadroon with almost pure white skin was spoken of as a little "yallerer" than the mulatto, who in turn was "a little more yaller" than the person with a brown skin. The very, very dark Afro-American was "not quite so yaller" as persons of a lighter hue.

It is said that there are no two Afro-Americans of the same color still, I divide all in eight classes: The light, the light yellow, dark yellow, light brown, brown, dark brown, dark, and very dark. The hue of my face is "light brown," that of my new pupil's was a wax-like brown, neither light nor dark brown, simply brown, or perhaps I might create a special class for her and say that her face was a "golden brown. Having confidence in the average reader's ability to judge beauty I will simply say she was the prettiest girl in all Southland—Venus in bronze.

After school had re-assembled for the afternoon I said to my new scholar in a voice that startled me with its strangeness: "Please step this way and bring your book until I examine you for our classes." I soon found out that she was far in advance of the school and placed her in a class of which she was both head and foot.

"What is your name, age, and where do you live?" I asked, reaching for my roll-book.

"My name is Lucy Bradley; my age is seventeen, and I live on the court house road near the brick church."

Imagine my feeling of surprise when I heard this; Lucy Bradley, the saucy young Miss who said so many disrespectful things about my slightly vermillion hair, and its owner stood before me, and my love-proof heart had broken its chains and gone to meet hers. This will never do, I said to myself, and like a stern mother I tried to recall it in a "Willie-you-come-in-the-house-and-stop-playing-with-that-horrid-Smith-boy" style of injunction, and like Willie my heart refused to return. Then commenced a battle between bitter foes. On one side was arrayed Love, on the other Pride and Revenge. In the skirmish the latter won, but it was a cadmean victory and the triumph very transient.

"Oh, this is Miss Lucy Bradley, the young lady that I have heard so much talk about, who knows more than the present teacher of this school—the lady the trustees will beyond a doubt place in charge of the college or high school when they conclude to build one, at which time, Miss Bradley, I shall be happy to enter one of your lower classes. I suppose that your mission here is to take my place, as I just said, I hear that you 'knew more than that Lee fellow.'"

I had tried to "look mad" and put all the force and irony I could in this little speech. I had an inward feeling that I had met with poor success, however.

"I guess we have both heard that the other one said a good many things that were never said, as some people in this world live by telling stories upon people they know but little about, and making all the trouble they can, still, Mr. Lee, if you do not wish me to stay I'll go home."

"Of course I want you to stay. I would not have you go home for the—that is I mean to say that the law does not permit a teacher to expel scholars after their names have been enrolled without an investigation by the school board. A teacher, the law says may suspend a pupil guilty of a wrong act pending the board's investigation, but after the pupil's name is enrolled—"

"But my name is not enrolled yet, Mr. Lee."

"I know, but I am going to enroll it now—that is I mean to say having just been examined by me makes you an enrolled member of the school."

"Oh, I see," said Lucy, keeping back a smile as she went back to her seat.

The final battle was over, and Love had bound Pride and Revenge to its chariot wheels. Lucy was a bright scholar and I made her assistant teacher in Lem's place the next day. The third day after school, unmindful of the black looks and whisperings of three of the big girls who had "set their caps" for me, I found myself carrying Lucy's books and walking boarding housewards by her side. When we parted she said:

"You must call some night and see father, Mr. Lee."

I told her that I would, and in order that the invitation might not be forgotten I called that night.

"Let me make you acquainted with my father, Mr. Lee," said Lucy as I stood face to face with the gentleman I had given a ride the Saturday before.

"Mr. Bradley, I owe you and your family a thousand apologies for the manner in which I have given vent to anger and revenge, caused by falsehoods and gossip. Kindly overlook the same."

"We know how it has been, pray be seated. Lucy, take your teacher's hat."

Lucy modestly reached out her hand for my hat. I looked lovingly into her eyes and turned in time to see Mr. Bradley looking pleasingly into mine. Lucy excused herself as did her mother and sisters, and in a few minutes she informed her father that supper was ready; I joined the family. Oh, what a supper! Too good for a king. Lucy poured the tea, after which she took a seat opposite me, and I spent the greater part of the time they were eating feasting my eyes upon the pretty face of my scholar. My reverie was broken by her oldest sister who sat beside me, saying with an arched smile upon her face:

"You don't seem to be very hungry, Mr. Lee."

"Well, know; I ate an apple to-day noon—that is I mean to say I am—er, that is I do not eat much at nights."

After supper we played several different games with cards, Lucy and I being mates and beating the rest of the company. After this visit I discovered that Lucy sadly needed private instruction at home in several of her advanced studies, and was therefore obliged to spend four nights each week at her house. Thus passed the winter without any noteworthy events at school with three exceptions. I was obliged to share a $40 school draft at 50 per cent, as the school funds had given out. When it got cold I put $4.10 worth of "window lights" in the school house, paying for them with my own money, Trustee Dozier giving me the school board's note for sixty days. (I have the note yet somewhere among my old papers.)

The next event I feel it my duty to record was that one very cold morning Trustee Dozier's two-year-old "new stove," when red hot fell apart in true "One Hoss Shay" style and came near setting the school house on fire. The rest of the winter we had to make a fire out of doors, and take turns warming ourselves. With the exception of these trifles four months of the school term passed pleasantly away. With Lucy as my assistant teacher, I was happy, and when Trustee Dozier remarked "North Carolina always did and always will produce the smartest people in the world, white or black," I felt like a "Great Negro."

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Society and Church Doings.

Bristol, Tenn., Special.

The city of Bristol possesses one of the greatest summer resorts in East, middle or West Tennessee. Dr. W. R. Settle, a medical graduate of Central Tennessee college, Nashville, is our city physician. M. Shepherd has been admitted to the bar. Ben Doubt is our city barber. Messrs Charles Richardson and Henry Tyler are the only colored restaurant keepers in town. Geo. Anderson is chief cook at the Tip Top. Daniel Taylor assistant, and Davie Roan head waiter. Prof. J. H. Tarter and family have moved to Knoxville. Charles Irvin, Miss Olla Pace, Miss Georgia Sawyers and Miss Lillie Pace have returned from Knoxville. Miss Rachel Jefferson and Mrs. Sarah Shepherd have been elected to teach in the Tennessee public schools. Rev. F. L. Donoho, of Abington, Va., passed through the city last week enroute to Chattanooga to attend the Epworth League convention. Elder Boyd held xuarterly conference at the M. E. church last Sunday. Rev. C. H. Johnson is attending the Union at Glade Springs, Va. Mr. C. C. Stewart, of Pulaski, Va., is in the city. The Aeolian quartet, of Athen, Tenn., gave a musical performance at the Baptist church. Mr. Henry Paton and Miss Mira Snodgrass were married recently. The Twin City Social club ran an excursion to Natural Tunnel last Thursday. The Excelsior club will be next. The Epworth League and Earnest Christian Workers are getting along nicely.

Wedding Bells.

Springfield, Mo., Special.

On the 18th ult., occurred the marriage of James Degan to Mrs. Nova Montgomery, Charley Strickland to Miss Janie Hawkins. On the 24th ult., was witnessed the wedding of Lon Callwell to Miss Mattie Armstrong of Texas. Rev. Dorcth the pastor of the Washington avenue Baptist church will not take a vacation this summer. Rev. R. H. Smith pastor of Pitts Chapel M. E. church and family are at "home" in the parsonage. The M. E. and A. M. E. churches gave a union festival at Music Hall on the 18th ult. Rev. T. B. Gardner of Lincoln, Neb., is now pastor of the Roberson avenue Baptist church. Rev. H. A. Gibson has returned from quite a trip through Tennessee and Kentucky.

Quite a number of our citizens visited St. Louis and Kansas City last Sunday on the excursion. S. J. Winston of Natchez, Miss., will open a drug store here. We have two colored physicians here. The Carthage Browns played ball here against the Springfield D. R. C's. The Springfield boys beat the two games. Miss Rhoda Clemmons has left for her home in Arkansas, also Miss Sadie Franklin of Lebanon. The Masonic Hall was packed to an overflow to witness the annual installation of officers. Calloway and Campbell, our colored lawyers are doing well. Mr. Campbell has a store on Centre street. Allen Hayden, colored, married a white woman, and both were arrested and lodged in jail at Ozark.

Result of the Teachers' Toil.

Ardmore, I. T., Special.

From the true and faithful toil of the school teachers, the following ladies and gentlemen of this vicinity are now able to read The Freeman: Misses Scott, Battle, Crutchfield, Lensey, Mmes. Strickland, Turner, Harge, Powel, Bush, Walters, Murphy, Riston, Jones, Groner, Combs, Towns, Denmark, Caldwell, Cherry, Jackson, Bell, Miss Goosby, Mrs. Knight, Revs. Jones, Hunt, Dorsey, Morris, Davis, Messrs. Boyd, J. B. Brown, Binks, Johnson, Tate, Wallace, Moore, Kitt, White, Brown, McKnight, Mackey, Cowan, Eubanks, Hext, Dillard, Williams, Curry, Thomas, Ghram, S. Dillard, Wilson, Dr. Hatcher and Prof. Brown. Mrs. Dorsey, a traveling missionary, delivered a lecture here to ladies only, on the 26th, ult. Mmes. Dorsey and Strickland met Mmes. Malory and Williams, two other missionaries, at the depot on the 26th, ult., as they were passing, and spent a few minutes in a pleasant conversation. The Masonic Installation and sermon on the 23d, ult. was a worthy affair. Mr. White, the wealthiest colored merchant in the Territory, was elected treasurer.

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A COMPREHENSIVE and interesting resume of the forthcoming work: "Eight Years of Pioneer Work in Africa," by Rev. Benjamin F. Ousley, of Alcorn A. and M. College, Westside, Miss., will appear in our next issue.

THE Hon. H. C. Smith's term as member of the Ohio legislature does not expire until January 1, '96. This in correction Mr. Knox having inadvertently referred to him in his admirable Clevelaod Letter last week as an ex-member.

TAKE NOTICE.

Many old subscribers of THE FREEMAN, who for various reasons, but mainly the general depression of the times, have allowed their sucscriptions to THE FREEMAN to lapse, need not be surprised at receiving a copy of the paper to-day, calling special attention to our great SEVENTY-FIVE CENT rate. THE FREEMAN had them in mind first, last and uppermost in finally deciding to make this remarkable rate. It will continue but in the neighborhood of 30 days, but within that time we hope but few will still feel their inability to RENEW. We want you back in the fold, come and go with your friends another year, come while it is called to-day, don't put off the day of good resolves, but send in your RENEWAL at once, and—note this—try at least to induce one friend to send with you. SEVENHY-FIVE CENTS pays the bill.

THE WALLER CASE AGAIN.

It is passing strange this mysterious silence concerning the Waller case. Some months has now elapsed since his arraingement and incarceration in a French prison, and we hear no more about the cause of his continued detention—what defense the French government has offered for its course, if any, than the man in the moon. It was reported a few days ago that he, Waller, was sick and languishing for want of medical attention. The Associated Press Dispatch concluding: "Our Embassador to France, Mr. Eustas, has been directed by the State Department to inquire into the matter." We felt when Waller's case was first put into this Louisiana fellow's hand for inquiry and investigation that between the French cormorants upon the one hand the inattention of Minister Eustas upon the other that the ex-consul would stand about as much show for a speedy hearing as a feather would in hell, or a canary bird left uncaged in a room with two cats. As far as the case has gone, if appearences are what they seem, Uncle Sam has simply clinched his hold upon the reputation he has always had viz, of being an overgrown booby and flunky in the presence of big powers, but brave as thunder when no bravery or backbone is demanded, as per instance the Hawaiian affair, most disgraceful collusion and robbery of the dying century, and for which this country will yet be called to account and made to be sincerely ashamed of.

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A CLEVELAND ECHO.

We attended the reception of the Foraker club. Here we met one or two lady acquaintances whom we had the honor to have met years before, viz: Misses Susie Stanley and Sadie Cisco, and Mrs. Alida Roberts, nee McFarland. These ladies, in company with Messrs. G. L. Knox, of THE FREEMAN, and C. Wilson, of this city, visited the several points of interest about the city and viewed the lake from one of the palatial lake steames, the "City of Detroit." Our friend, G. L. Knox, is a congenial companion and a happy fellow-journalist to be in company with.

DR. E. A. WILLIAMS.
In Journal of The Lodge.
New Orleans, La.

IDA WELLS-BARNETT EDITOR.

We congratulate our bright contemporary, The Conservator and the race generally on the accession of Mrs. Ida Wells-Barnett to the editorial seat of that excellent journal. This is said in no disparagement to Editor Bird the outgoing chief, a strong and attractive writer and who has given to the OPINION page of that sheet a standing he need not be ashamed of. The Conservator should now flourish as never before—we hope and predict it will, as Mrs. Wells-Barnett brings to her task a valuable experienc, qualifications of a high order, and a world-wide reputation as a polemic, and a courageous and brilliant defender of truth and the race. Sometimes the most deserving efforts fail of complete attainment, and what seems a bright argury of the future of The Conservator may not reach expectation, nevertheless, if Mrs. Wells-Barnett's labors for her race should stop with to-day, which God forbid, the woven wreath of immortelles, that she has won so justly, and wears so deservedly will not fade with the years; she can feel with a truth the past at least is secure.

I WAS NOT THERE.

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I was not there!
My loved one came to worldly care,
And caught a glimpse of our morning fair;
But, knowing she could the better be
In yonders world from sorrow free,
She changed into celestial form,
And soared beyond terrestrial storm.

I was not there!
Poor mamma was so glad to see
Her fond little pet so spry and free;
When death did come the baby to take
Poor mamma thought it her heart would brake
To see the urchin go away again,
And leave her still in a world of pain.

I was not there!
Her soft little hands I've never pressed,
Neither have I held her to my breast,
Her rosy lips I've never kissed;
Paternal sounds were vainly missed,
For I was away, the sad news came,
"Baby is dead—Gabrilla by name."

JNO. W. MONROE
Luna, Ark., June 6, 1895.

SUBMITTED WITHOUT COMMENT.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Your editorial calling attention to the action of the Liberian Conference in relation to the Ridgel case, cannot be passed over without notice. All that has been said by me on the matter was sincere, and I owe it to you and to the public to make some reply.

Believing the African work to be strictly a missionary field and under the jurisdiction of the Missionary Board, the charges against the Rev. Mr. Ridgel were first presented to said Board. They were regarded as sufficient reason for the unanimous vote recalling Mr. Ridgel. Bishop Turner assented to the action of the Board and actually mailed the order recalling Ridgel. He afterward reversed his order and appointed Mr. Ridgel to Liberia as Presiding Elder. This apparent disregard of the order of the Board provoked much of the late discussion through the papers. This ceased when it became apparent that the African work was not a mission but a missionary conference directly under a Bishop and not under the Board, charges were given to Bishop Turner and by him presented to the Liberian conference. You state that Mr. Ridgel was pronounced innocent. In order to have reached this conclusion, it was necessary to show that he was not lawfully married to his first wife, or that he was lawfully divorced from her, or that he was not married to wife No. 2. The two acts of marriage are matters of record that cannot be denied. The existence of a divorce is denied, under oath, by his first wife, and Bishop Turner has never cited any evidence to contradict her statement. He will do so if he can. Otherwise, all will be forced to believe that the Liberian Conference has simply shut its eyes to the facts or compromised with what is usually regards as evil. The matter has passed beyond America, and all responsibility rests with Bishop Turner and the Liberian Conference. None of us would teach Africans to disregard christian marriage.

JOHN M. HENDERSON, M. D.
New York City, N. Y., July 5, '95.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

This will inform your many readers who have eagerly read and watched the Ridgel-Henderson controversy, that after a thorough investigation at the late session of the Liberian annual conference African M. E. church, that Rev. A. L. Ridgel was acquitted by the unanimous vote of said conference.

Dr. W. H. Heard, now a member of the Liberian annual conference, ably defended the church, while Bro. Ridgel made his own defense. It was found that Elder Ridgel was lawfully married to his second wife, being forced to divorce his first wife for repeated acts of fornication. Bro. Ridgel now stands clear of the dirty indictment of Dr. Henderson and others, who acted entirely from selfish and malicious motives. We commend Dr. Ridgel to the church and world as being an untarnished, christian gentleman.

Signed:	
J. P. Lindsey,	Clement Irons,
S. A. Bailey,	A. L. Brisbune,
C. A White,	M. T. Newland,
E. T. Lewis,	W. H. Wright,
	J. T. Cole,
	Committee.

Edna, Grand Bassa Co., Liberia. W. A

Thompson's Statistics Questioned.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

I have read with care and interest the series of articles written for The Freeman by Mr. Richard W. Thompson, on "Phases of Washington Life." For the most part these articles have been amusing, entertaining and readable; but they have been woefully deficient in facts and correct information. It is manifest in these articles that Mr. Thompson does not write as the result of painstaking personal investigation, but rather as the result of listening to the incoherent gabble of irresponsible persons. I take this view of Mr. Thompson's written impressions and deductions out of charity for him, for I would not lay myself open to the charge of impugning either his motives or his veracity. While Mr. Thompson is incorrect and inaccurate in much that he imparts for information, he is not, I take it, intentionally so. He is simply guilty of having been too credulous, of having permitted himself to be imposed upon, of taking without a grain of salt much that he has heard from inconsiderate babblers.

Most of these inaccuracies or of no consequence. But in your issue of June 22, 1895, Mr. Thompson falls into an error which the truth of history and the interests of race demand should not go uncorrected. He says: "No one knows just how many Negro office holders there are in the city to-day" unless Mr. Thompson means to make "to-day" the essential word in this sentence, he is clearly wrong. Anybody can find out the number of Negro office holders in the departments in Washington by calling on the Appointed Clerks of the several Departments for the information, and adding together the figures in theirsreports. In thepublishedregister of employes of the Interior Department, against each name of a Negro is set an asterisk, which during this administration have proved to be, in the language of Longfellow, "The fatal asterisk of death."

Resuming Mr. Thompson says: "They hold forth numerously in every department, and are scattered over a wide area. Mr. Robert H. Terrell, late chief of the Pay and Allowance Division, Treasury Department, estimates that in 1892 there were 2,400 colored clerks and employes in the government service, drawing an aggregate in salaries of $1,371,103.98 annually, an individual average of $572,48. Changes and substitutions are constantly being made, BUT IT IS SAFE TO SAY THE AMOUNT NOW DRAWN BY AFRO-AMERICANS UNDER THIS ADMINISTRATION WILL NOT FALL FAR FROM THESE ESTIMATES." The "CAPS" are mine, and are used to call attention to the part of the sentence I desire to criticise. Mr. Thompson is very loose and unscientific in his use of language. The expression "not fall far below" is a variable one, and the user of it has an opportunity to haggle and quibble much over it. But I propose to give it a natural and logical meaning.

On March 4, 1893, there were 2107 Negroes on the rolls of the departments in Washington. On March 4, 1895, there were 1396, or about 33⅓ percent less than on the day, two years previously, when Benjamin Harrison ceased to be president. While the aggregate annual compensation received by Negroes was $1,371,103.98, on March 4, 1893, it was but $823,662.39, on March 4, 1895, which is $584,441.59, or 40 per cent less than at the close of Mr. Harsison's administration. According to my way of thinking this, is "far below" Mr. Harrison's administration. Mr. Thompson ought to know that colored employes have been literally slaughtered in all the departments where dismissals were made on account of reduction of oppropriations by Congress. In the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, 80 per cent of the colored women were dismissed without any assignment of cause.

Another thing Mr. Thompson ought to know is that there is but one dignified place held bv a colored man in Washington to-day, the office of the Recorder of Deeds. While under Mr. Harrison's administration there were five: Hon. B. K. Bruce, was Recorder of Deeds, Hon. John R. Lynch was Fourth Auditor of the Treasury at $4,000 per annum Messers. James M. Townsend and D. P, Roberts were Recorder of the General Land Office at $2,000 per annum, (Mr. Roberts succeeded Mr. Townsend) Mr. Milton M. Holland was Chief of Division in the Treasury Department at $2,000 per annum, and Mr. Robert H. Terrell was Chief of Division in the same department at $2,000 per annum.

Under Mr. Harrison's administration young colored men to the number of 129 were appointed to clerkships in Washington under the regulations of the Civil Service Commission. Under this administration one lone Negro has received an appointment as the result of competitive examination, and his appointment is said to be due to his being a relative of a Negro Democrat. As things now go when an appointing officer gets a list of eligibles from the Civil Service Commission, he immediately writes a note to the postmasters in the respective communities from which the eligibles come, to find out who they are. Of course when it turns out that one of the eligibles is a Negro his name is passed, though he be at the head of the list.

Another thing Mr. Thompsen ought to know is that colored clerks are not now being promoted up to the higher grades of clerkships, Under Mr. Harrision's administration colored clerks were promoted to $1400 and $1600 grades; those so promoted have, almost without exception, been reduced to lower grades, in cases where they have not been dismissed from the service. No colored men are promoted to places above $1200 per annum, now, Let Mr. Thompson, or any one else, consult the offical records, and compare now with then, Mr. Cleveland's administration with Mr. Harrison's administration and if he does not come to the conclusion that the Negro has fallen "far below" what he formerly received, I will be ready to move that a writ of lunacy issue to inquire into his mental condition. The facts are so plain that a wayfaring man, though a fool cannot mistake their significance.

J. B. SAMUELS,
209 Alaska Ave, Washington, D. C., July 1, '95,

AFTER HENDERSON!

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Allow me space in the acme of Negro journalism to refer to that Illinois Doctor and his idiosyncrasies, (Jas. E. Henderson, M. D.) What is contained in the "brilliant paragrapher's" letters, Nos. 10 and 13, would be well enough from a would-be philosopher of the insane asylum. It is probable that the Doctor is a candidate to such an institution, if not, all the sane world will agree that he is hydrophobia at large. I do not mean to be harsh, but it makes true and earnest leaders of the race indignant to note these great thinkers (?) trying to stay the march of progress by ever now and then throwing whimsical impediments in the pathway, to cause the weak to stumble and probably fall. What if Bruce and Douglass are not Negroes since their lives have been spent in the interest and the uplifting of a down-trodden, or rather unfortunate element of humanity. What is there to be derived to the benefit of the human family in discussing mere names, and yet some harm to patriotism may be accomplished by such a discussion. All of us are Americans, which is the only term of patriotism to be applied to American citizens. Each word spoken should therefore contribute to the broadening of our comprehension of the unity there ought to exist among human beings, and on the other hand nothing should proceed from our mouths, or the point of the pen to divide more than already is present among us. I repeat it more emphatically down with race issues among people of the same country, under one government, no possible good can obtain, but ruinous and disastrous results must surely be the outcome. Open the windows and doors of your heart and let generosity and liberty dwell therein that you may accept man as our brother regardless of racial differences, and God as the common Father and preserver of us all. Yours sincerely,

W. H. THWEATT,
Principal Christianburg Inst.
Christianburg, Va.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Allow me space in your paper to reply to certain open letters that appear from time to time, as written by Dr. Jas. E. Henderson, 112 East Side Square, Springfield, Ill., especially No. 13, that I shall dub the Jonah number.

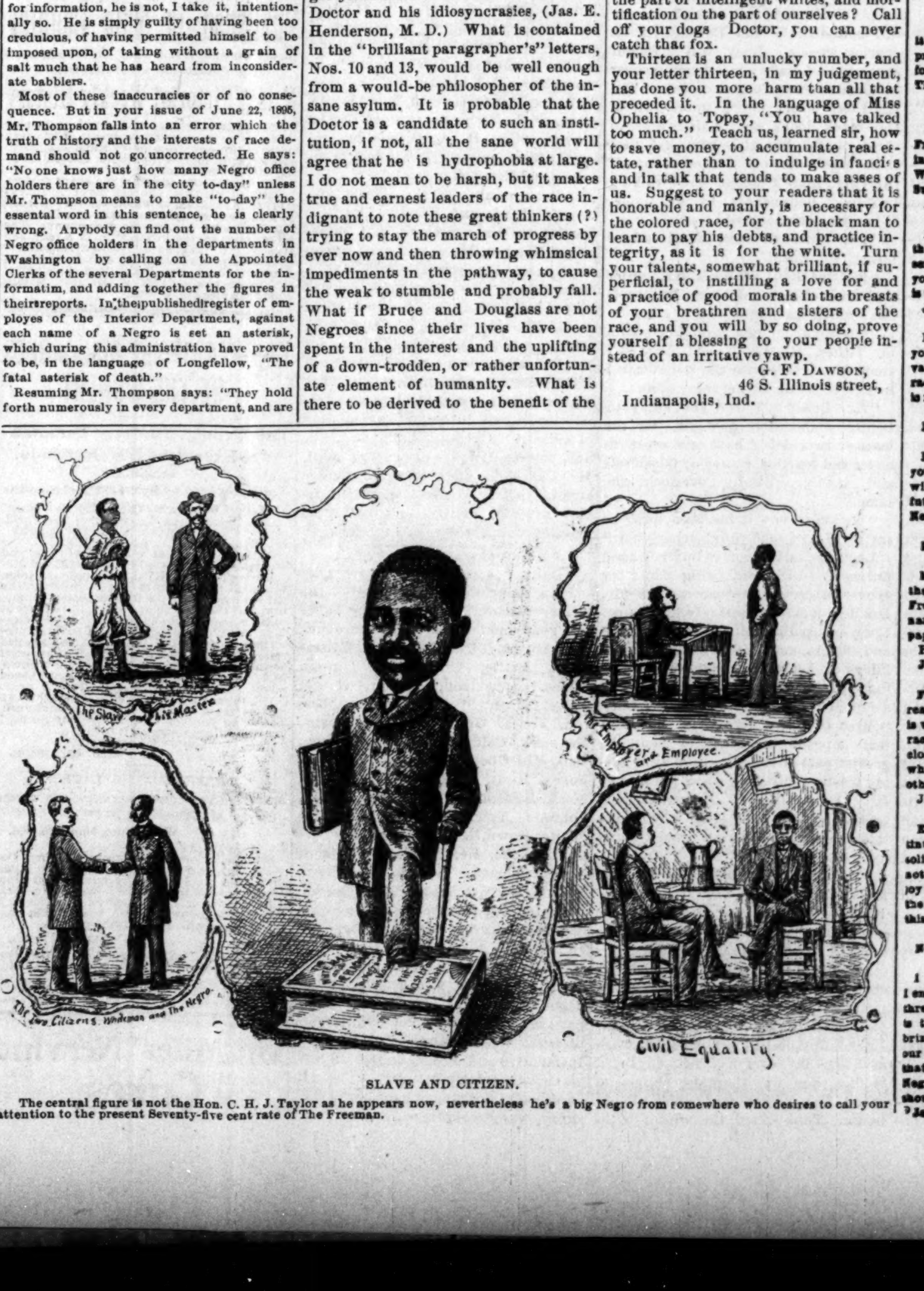
It matters not how "yaller" you are, or if you are half white, you are rated and belong to the Negro family. The Doctor's idea of what should be the action of yellow folks and half white Negroes, is dangerous indeed. His idea has been practiced too long already. He may be half white of yellow, but I will wager a copy of The Freeman that he is known as a Negro doctor, see? despite his great bluff at we little fellows.

He says, "I write this for the benefit of those sufficiently intelligent to think, not for brainless pated nincompoops." I would like to know what kind of meat this, our Cæsar, has fed upon, that he has grown so great. He no doubt would never be lynched did he live down South, for a certain classs of whites of that locality like the kind of talking "nigger" he seems to be. If the yellow or half white Negro take his advice, their lives would be one continual round of snubs, and the majority of them would die in obscurity. No colored man or woman who has been reckoned with the Negro race has achieved distinction or received credit because of the strain of bastard white blood that courses through their veins, from Douglass down, including his worthy compeer, the great Dr. Price, so black that the sun would almost refuse to shine upon him, and yet so eloquent that he could melt the most cultured and refined white audiences into tears, have all found a place in the pages of contemporary biography and history, and will be remembered and spoken of not as half white or yellow Negroes, but simply colored men, or members of the Negro race.

As B. Square well said, It is not what people call us, it is not because of the particular amount of alien blood that many be coursing through our veins, but how we shall live our lives, what we shall accomplish in the world, whether black, brown, yellow or "poor white," that will cause our names to be honored and revered. Why spend time discussing foolish and useless questions that make us a subject of ridicule on the part of intelligent whites, and mortification on the part of ourselves? Call off your dogs Doctor, you can never catch that fox.

Thirteen is an unlucky number, and your letter thirteen, in my judgement, has done you more harm than all that preceded it. In the language of Miss Ophelia to Topsy, "You have talked too much." Teach us, learned sir, how to save money, to accumulate real estate, rather than to indulge in fancies and in talk that tends to make asses of us. Suggest to your readers that it is honorable and manly, is necessary for the colored race, for the black man to learn to pay his debts, and practice integrity, as it is for the white. Turn your talents, somewhat brilliant, if superficial, to instilling a love for and a practice of good morals in the breasts of your breathren and sisters of the race, and you will by so doing, prove yourself a blessing to your people instead of an irritative yawp.

G. F. DAWSON,
46 S. Illinois street,
Indianapolis, Ind.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DR. P. L. BARBER, Norfolk, Va.
Jan. 8, 1894.

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P. W. ADAMS,
Dec. 15, 1893. Nashville, Tenn.

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SHERMAN KEY,
Jan. 13, 1894. Fort Wayne, Ind.

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Enclosed please find postal order for $1.00 to renew my subscription to your grand journal for one year.

S. W. GREEN,
Jan. 1, 1894. Lake Providence, La.

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Enclosed find $1.00, for which please renew my subscription to The Freeman from February, 1894, to February, 1895.

E. W. CLARK,
Jan. 10, 1894. Georgetown, Tex.

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Enclosed please find P. O. money order for $1.00, for which please send me The Freeman another year.

H. P. GUILKEY,
Jan. 13, 1894. Macon, Miss.

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Find enclosed the amount of $1.00 for the renewal of my subscription to the greatest of colored journals for the year 1894.

R. E. LEE, U. S. Hotel, Boston.
Jan. 11, 1894.

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Having read The Freeman for three years, I desire to have it and will encourage many of our race to subscribe for it and read it.

J. C. SIMMONS, Leflore, Miss.
Jan. 6, 1894.

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Enclosed please find $1.00 for The Freeman for one year. Dr. D. E. Caldwell, of this place, speaks very highly of it indeed.

J. R. JOHNSON, Osceola, Ark.
Jan. 11, 1894.

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Please find enclosed $1.00, which place to my credit on my account of The Freeman. Continue The Freeman, please; I do not care to be without it.

J. C. DANIELS,
Dec. 23, 1893. Florence, Ga.

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I am anxious for your paper because it is THE paper of our race, and grandly does it play its part of vindicating the rights of the Negro.

JAS. T. BRYN,
Editor Free Will Baptist Standard,
Jan. 10, 1894. Kingston, N. C.

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I will enclose you $3.00 for The Freeman one year and the School History of Negro race. I have been a reader of The Freeman one year. I feel that I could not be without it.

LOUISA LITTLE, Redding, Cal.
Jan. 10, 1894.

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I am a reader of The Freeman, and can say that I don't think I ever read anything in my life that I enjoyed better, and I don't think any man or woman of color have their homes complete without it.

DANIEL BURTON,
Jan. 11, 1894. Peoria, Ill.

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Enclosed find $1.00 for renewal of my subscription to The Freeman for the year 1894. I cannot lose The Freeman as long as I can work to earn money to take it. I think it a grand paper for our race.

ELIZABETH DORSEY,
Dec. 30, 1893. West Chester, Penn.

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In tracing the columns of your paper I find it the greatest paper that ever left the Negro press. It is needed in our county. I will work for The Freeman. Enclosed find $1.00; send The Freeman.

G. W. DANIELS,
Jan. 7, 1894. Lee, S. C.

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Find enclosed $1.00 for another year for The Freeman. It is an educator to those interested in the race, so please see that it is continued. Without it I would be unhappy and lonely on Sundays.

WALTER S. JACKSON,
Aug. 8, 1893. Torresdale, Pa.

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Enclosed find $1.00, for which please send to the address of Mrs. J. M. Lawrence, 3 Townsend place, The Freeman for one year. May you and your paper be vastly successful in 1894 is the wish of

PETER LAWRENCE,
Jan. 8, 1894. Boston, Mass.

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Enclosed please find $1.00 for The Freeman, your valuable paper, for one year. I take advantage of low rates, and I have a number of race papers to pay for, but of them all there is not one that I appreciate like The Freeman.

JOSEPH H. GARRETT, Arbutus, Md.
Dec. 17, 1893.

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I am praying for the continued success of your grand paper, and hope that my health will improve so I shall be able to do more in the future than in the past in getting it in every Negro home in the Republic.

CHAS. V. MONK, Philadelphia, Pa.
Dec. 27, 1893.

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My people seem particularly anxious to read the leading Negro paper of the world, The Freeman. Please be so kind as to place the name of my school on your list and send your paper until May.

REV. M. L. LATTA,
President Latta's University, Oberlin, N. C.
Jan. 8, 1894.

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For four or five years I have been a regular reader and subscriber of The Freeman, and it is with pleasure I recommend it to be a true race journal in every sense of the word. Enclosed you will find a postal note for $1.00, for which I wish to renew my subscription for another year.

G. W. MCNEILL,
Jan. 8, 1894. Topeka, Kas.

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Enclosed find $1.00 for my subscription to continue for the ensuing year. The Freeman is a solid friend that I would not be without. I can not find words in my vocabulary to express the joy of its appearance. I sincerely hope that the day will soon come when it will sweep over this land as the waters over the deep.

A. B. EASON, Houston, Tex.
Nov. 21, 1893.

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I cannot be without your valuable paper. I enclose the sum of 50 cents for the paper for three months. I can only say that your paper is the best race paper I have ever read. It brings news from different countries, and from our fatherland in Liberia, Africa. I like it for that cause. I can say that it is needed in every Negro's house; every colored man and woman should read it.

PROF. A. T. DIXON,
Jan. 6, 1894. Carlisle, Ark.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—I did not receive my paper of the 29th, ultimo. Please send it. It is a great pleasure for me to read the best race journal on earth. It should be in the home of every Afro-American.

Yours for the race, F. A. CALE, Augusta, Ark. July 6, 1895.

MY LIFE AS I REMEMBER IT—AS SLAVE AND FREE MAN!

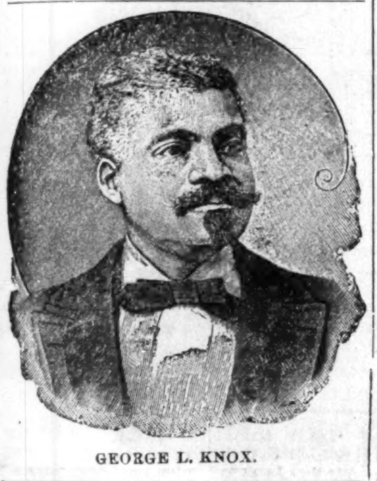
COMPILED, ARRANGED AND WRITTEN BY MYSELF GEORGE L. KNOX.

CHAPTER XXV.

In 1884, in a conversation with Mr. Messick, a member of the firm of Messick, Cones & Co., Indianapolis, Ind., I expressed a desire to open business in that city, and requested him that if he saw an opening at any time to apprise me. He shortly afterwards apprised me of an opening on Meridian street, between Washington and Pearl streets. This was in the month of February 1884.

On the day of the unveiling of Governor Morton's monument, I suggested to my wife that I go to Indianapolis as I had received information of a good location there and was anxious to investigate the matter. She readily endorsed the proposition. Once in Indianapolis, I was present at the unveiling of the monument, dedicated to the great war Governor, Oliver P. Morton, and after those ceremonies were over, I made some inquiries in regard to to the room and location suggested to me by Mr. Messick. I was informed by the parties in charge that the room would not be rented for a barber shop and that Mr. Conduitt, then, as now, one of the leading wholesale merchants of the city and property owner, did not want to rent it for such a purpose. I was, however, not deterred by this first set-back, as it is somewhat of a characteristic of mine not to take anything for granted but to see for myself. I made it my business to call upon him and was met by a Mr. Scott, his legal council, who informed Mr. Conduitt that there was a colored man who desired to see him about renting the room for a barber shop. He said he did not want to see me, as he did not want to rent his room for such a purpose.

Mr. Scott rather insisted "that he had better see him as he is a pretty good-looking fellow." He said alright, let him come in, and asking me to take a seat, I told him my business, and that I had come for the purpose of renting his room for a barber shop. He reiterated that he did not want to rent his room for a barber shop. I said: "Suppose I should run a barber shop and conduct it with the same business precision and care that you would a dry goods or grocery store, you would not object to me having it then, would you?" He told me that would be a difficult thing to do and I replied I could do it and could give references as to my manner of doing business, and named a number of business men in Greenfield that he could communicate with as to the creditability of my word and my manner of conducting business.



GEORGE L. KNOX.

I felt somewhat flattered at his reply, which was to the effect that he did not desire any references as my face was a sufficient recommend to him. The room he said would rent for $150 a month as it was, but he would cut it about half in two and that would make the rent about $66.66. My readers will understand that this sounded pretty big to a fellow who had been paying but $15 a month for rent, however. I realized that it is sometimes true, nothiug ventured, notning won, and I had a sort of intuitive belief that I was making no mistake. I at once stated to Mr. Conduitt that the idea of cutting the room in two was satisfactory to me, and that I would be willing to pay the last named sum, $66.66. He took my address and said he would inform me shortly if my propositian would be accepted. I returned to my home and to my surprise within two days received a letter from Mr. Conduitt accepting my proposition.

I at once, as was my custom, took council with my wife concerning it, and noticed very quickly that while for sometime she had expressed a desire and willingness to leave Greenfield, that when the test came, when the opportunity was presented, she did not seem so anxious. She said she did not know what to say. I finally closed the conference by declaring that as she had urged me to the step she must stand by me, as I was going. I also, before taking the final step advised somewhat with a few reliable, staunch friends in the city of Greenfield, among them, James Morgan, Andy Hart, John W. Jones, James H. New and several others, who I cannot at present recall. In the opinion of some it was quite a venture for me, their argument being that inasmuch as I had been successful in Greenfield, had come up through great tribulation and in the face of many impediments, that I should hesitate before moving. James Morgan, a man in whom I had great confidence and reliance, as far as judgement was concerned, and who had been one of my warmest friends and most sincere backers, said he would hate to see me go away, but thought perhaps it would be best, as it was evident to him I had outgrown the town. Others tried to discourage me by saying I would break up there—move to Indianapolis, make a great display but no money. I reminded them that I noticed boss barbers in Indianapolis, who did not work themselves, had their horses and buggies, wore gold watches, dressed fine and could make a living, and said it would be peculiar if I could go there and work and not make a living, while others who did not work, made a living.

One of my barbers said to me, you think you have got too big for this town, I replied that I had outgrown the town. I would go to Indianapolis, and when I got trimmed down to the size of this town I would come back again, but if I did not get trimmed down I would never come back. I still held my shop in Greenfield, and coming to Indianapolis closed my contract, although many said I would fail. Some said I would come back to Greenfield walking. My answer to all these doleful predictions was that I never blamed a man for failing, but I did for not trying.

Not desiring to take too many chances, and if possible find the safe side, I took in as a partner with me in my Indianapolis venture, one William Bibbs, an old and well-known barber in the city and who at that time owned one of the best shops. On the first day of March we opened up. I was a country barber, coming right in the city, not knowing the customs of doing business there, etc. Our first Saturday's receipts were about $16, and when we ran the books over at the end of the week, we found that the week's receipts amounted to $40; the next week we ran up to $50, and the next $65. That was in March, and in September, I had increased the business until it ran up to $190 a week.

During the time we were fixing up the room for business we had considerable work for the plumber. Being from a country town, I had had very little, if any experience, with that class of tradesmen. Some advised me to close a contract, others not to make a contract with the plumber. I chose the latter course, J. Giles Smith, a well-known plumber of this city being engaged. Judge as to my surprise when after his work was finished and I expected a bill somewhere in the neighborhood of $150 or thereabouts, he brought in one for $565. This was my first lesson and experience with plumbers and I had promised Mr. Bibbs that if there was any work to be done in the future, I would always close a contract and would know before hand what their work would amount to.

Mr. Bibbs demurred at the bill and declared he would not pay it. My reply was that as I was a new man in town, and we were a new firm, it would not do for us to commence refusing to pay our bills, and that we had better pay this, which we did. I attended closely to my business, working side by side with my barbers from Monday morning until Sunday noon. I had six barbers and at that time I was satisfied with that number as I had always believed that was as many as I would require.

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Prof. McAdams Replies!

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laugh. Your moral sensibilities are as blunt as a maul. You have done more to lower the standard of morality in Shelbyville than all the A. M. E. ministers who have pastored here put together. You know, sir, that more than one man in Shelbyville has ordered you never to darken his door again. You know, sir, that persons of questionable character are almost invariably your most intimate associates, and that you exercise your greatest influence among them. One of the oldest members of your church, and your friend, said on a public occasion in your presence, that she knew when tne church was organized and that she never knew it to be in such a low condition as it is now. I have heard at least a half dozen old members say the same thing. You well know that a majority if not all, of the teachers of your congregation are either apathetic or have become alieniated.

I say to you, sir, that you are a disgrace to the ministry and a burlesque on religion. People here who wish everyone well have given you up as a reprobate, and are now simply praying God to have mercy on your lying, hell-bound soul. I will be found each school day in the principal's room at the city school; on other days I will be found at my office, You are welcome to call at any time.

I now say to my friends that I have been reluctantlv forced into this controversy. A reply to Jones was not necessary, as far as you are concerned. Many of my friends have advised me that he is not worth noticing, but I concluded that even a cur must be noticed sometimes. Jones is a man without principle and is low enough to do or say anything. His last letter tells what manner of man he is, in far more forcible language than I can command. Any person who will read between the lines can at once see that there is something at the bottom of this whole affair. There is something at the bottom, and I propose to knock the bottom out before this thing is over. I would have my friends know that I am still fighting for morality, and I will win.

'For right is right, since God is God,
And right the day must win;
To doubt would be disloyalty,
To falter would be sin."

I am endeavoring here at my home to create a pure, moral atmosphere for my children and those of my neighbors. I am right; I will not desist; I will not equivocate, and whatever wolf in sheep's clothing comes into this 'burg will find in me an inveterate foe, but whoever comes preaching a pure gospel and practising what he preaches, will find in me an ever present help. Jones has attempted, publicly to ridicule persons who advocate a higher moral standard. He calls them "goody, goody folks." Jones says it is foolish to try to hurt a Methodist preacher; that the whole conference belongs to him, meaning that if it gets too warm for him in one place he can, and will be sent elsewhere. "O tempora! O mores!" He said here recently on a public occasion, that the people would make nothing by writing to the Bishop concerning him; that when the Bishop was here certain parties called on the Bishop, and he knew everything that was said in less than twenty-four hours. He intimated that he and the Bishop understood each other. We think that Bishop Salters has been slandered. Now if this does not end this controversy, it will be one more of 10,000 evidences that Jones deserves the title I have given him.

J. C. McADAMS,

Shelbyville, Tenn.

Society Movements.

Coldwell, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. Jane Osborn, of Nashville, will spend a few months with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Phillips. Miss Rosetta Rippy, of Normanda, Tenn., was the guest of Miss M. A. Phillips the 30th. Miss Martha Moore spent Sunday last at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Boman. Miss Annie Monroe, of Tullahoosa, visited Mrs. Lettie Williams Sunday, June 30th. Miss Francis Eakins, of Shelbyville, was at home Sunday last. W. C. Cannon, from Alabama, has returned. Mrs. Harriet Marvell was the guest of Mrs. Mary J. White Wednesday evening last. A grand rally was given by the Lodge of Workenmen Mechanic. Henry T. White was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Maupin Wednesday the 3rd. Miss Annie Moore visited her aunt, Luella Williams, at Wartrace Thursday last. Mrs. Mattie Maupins, of Wartrace, is visiting her mother and friends at this place. The social given at Mr. and Mrs. Abe Thompson in honor of Miss Izo Elkins, was grand.

LOVE'S PLEADING.

CLARA:—Above all things Clarence do send in Seventy-five cents for renewal to The Freeman.

SOMEBODY IS MISTAKEN

Sure—Presiding Elder Jenkins Declares Dr. C. T. Shaffer

A Candidate For the Bishopric—Read the Glowing Records, Qualifications, And Not Self-Aspirants are the Demands of the Church—Compare Records.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

It has been said that Rev. C. T. Shaffer, is not a candidate for the Bishopric. This statement is utterly false. Have we come to the place, where a truly devoted minister of the gospel, must get upon the mountain of selfishness, and by sounding the trumpet of self-esteem, announce to the great A. M. E. church that "I am a candidate for the Bishopric." God forbid such! Can we afford to ignore a truly devoted minister of the gospel like the Rev. C. T. Shaffer, one who is truly devoted to the work of the church, and a ripe scholar.

HIS RECORD.

Rev. C. T. Shaffer, D. D. M.D., joined the Ohio annual conference in September, 1870. His first appointment was Newark, Ohio, serving one year; thence to Cadiz, remaining a year only. His fourth appointment was to Xenia Station, here he served acceptable to all for three years and four months, and it was said by the immortal Bishop Payne, that his success was greater than any others for three years. In 1877 he was transferred to the New York conference, stationed at the Sullivan street church, which he found in a very bad condition. After serving for three years, he left the church in a flourishing condition, was sent to the Philadelphia conference, given the pastoral charge of Allen Chapel of Philadelphia. Here Brother Shaffer found only 160 members with an indebtness of $5,000; in addition thereto an annual ground rent of $150. Serving four years in this charge he paid every cent of indebtedness and renovated the entire church, raising for all purposes during the term of his pastorate of the Allen Chapel $14,885; increased the membership 120. Rev. Shaffer was then transferred to the Baltimore conference and there spent two successful years in Big Bethel church, in the city of Baltimore, the home of our Senior Bishop Wayman.

The appointing power of the church having further need of this successful minister in the city of Brotherly Love, he was returned and stationed at the Union church Philadelphia, where he found a $20,585 debt, which he set in at once to reduce. At one rally without a book he raised $2,040, and reduced the indebtness to $11.500 during his two years of successful administration. By this time there arose quite a dissension in "Old Bethel" Philadelphia. A body of members of the church made an urgent request to the appointing power for the service of Dr. Shaffer. The request was granted and the Rev. Shaffer entered the pastorate in the midst of a great trouble when they were hardly collecting the current expenses, but by turning the people's attention to the work and harmonizing the warring factions, he was enabled to bring the forces of the church together, and in two years time they tore down "Old Bethel," and placed the beautiful New Bethel, a three and a half story superb structure of gray granite, with modern conveniencies—a monument of honor to all American Methodism, and to the race in general. Bro. Shaffer in one rally during his pastorate of said church raised $3,472.75, and in the last year of his administration in the above named church, raised $14,800 for all purposes. He was, at the close of his pastorate of Big Bethel Philadelphia, appointed Presiding Elder of the Philadelphia district, served three years, and the general interest of of the district under his wise administration was increased thirty per cent.

From the Presiding Eldership, he was made the General Secretary of the Church Extension Society, a society that is fast growing into popularity in the A, M. E. church as its need is much appreciated by all. Dr. C. T. Shaffer is now rounding out a quarter of a century in the ministry, without having had once to call upon a Bishop to settle any difficulty whatever. He has never had cause to flee from a conference on account of a misdemeanor committed, nor because, he and the Bishop disagreed. His very soul and full intent is to build up the church and all of its institutions.

Dr. Shaffer has taken a full course in medicine, and has been elected four consecutive years chairman of the Board of Managers of the Home for aged colored people—tne largest institution of its kind in the world. He is also a member of the building committee which proposes to erect a home at the cost of $25,000. Dr. C. T. Shaffer is member of the African Methodist church, a minister of the gospel, of good standing, eligible to any position in the gift of his brethern, and is willing, well qualified to be elected a Bishop, fully worthy to take the solemn obligation of the Bishopric, and has no need to stir the church to let them know that he is a candidate. We say Amen.

ANOTHER DESERVING CANDIDATE.

Is the Rev. J. H. Armstrong, D. D. He was converted and joined the A. M. E. church at the age of thirteen years. When the civil war broke out he joined the U. S. army, served three years, most of that time as Sergeant, when he was honorably discharged from the army. He located at Jacksonville, Fla. In 1869 joined the Florida conference, and was appointed to the Lavilla Mission, served one year. The now lamented Bishop John M. Brown, seeing in him ability and usefulness for a more important charge sent him to Lake City, where he served three years and built the church where the congregation now worships. During the pastorate of the said charge, Rev. Armstrong was principal of the Colored Academy. He was also elected and served four years in the State Legislature from Columbus county Fla. He was also elected twice to the National Convention, that nominated General U. S. Grant as the Republican candidate, for the presidency of the United States. From Lake City, Fla., Elder J. H. Armstrong was appointed by Bishop Brown to Monticello Station. He had not served in this charge but one year, when the now sainted Bishop T. M. D. Ward. saw in him the qualifications needed in a presiding elder, hence his appointment to the Monticello District, where he served from December 1872 to January 1880, making seven years Presiding Elder over the same people, a thing not often heard of in the Methodist family.

Brother Armstrong was secretary of the annual conference in Florida ten years in succession. In 1880 he was transferred by the now triumphant Bishop Campbell to the Texas conference, and appointed by Bishop Ward to Ready Chapel Galveston, Tex., where he remained four years, during which time he received into the church 323 members, repaired and beautified the old church building, and built a commodious six room parsonage and left the property out of debt. In 1884 he was transferred to the N.E.Tex, conference by the now hallowed Bishop R. H. Cain and appointed to Bethel Station Dallas, where he served four years and built the beautiful brick edifice now occupied by the Bethel congregation.

During his stay he received into the church 200 members. From Dallas, Texas, he was transferred by the Senior Bishop A. W. Wayman, to the Central Texas conference and succeeded the then Elder Grant at the Metropolitan church in Austin on Elder Grant's election to the Bishopric. Rev. Armstrong was transferred back to the Texas conference, and appointed to Ready Chapel, Galveston, where his many friends received him gladly for his second term as their pastor. He remained there nearly three years. He was then appointed Presiding Elder of the district by Bishop Abraham Grant, which duty he performed until May 1892, when the General Conference in session at Philadelphia unanimously elected him financial secretary of the whole church. How well he has filled the position we leave for the connection to answer. Rev. Armstrong was a member of the financial board from 1884 to 1892, which gave him eight years of experience in that department. Bro. Armstrong has never been charged with being guilty of indulging in strong drink, no taints of an immoral character can be brought against him. He has lived a Christ like life, and has always been found a Moses in leading the people, Joshua-like in gaining many victories for Christ and his church, Dr. Armstrong is as courageous as he was sixteen years ago. His thorough knowledge of the work of the church and his most valuable qualifications make him perfectly fit for a Bishop.

He has always been a pacifier bringing together warring factions without loss of a single member, and all wire pulling and trickery mixed with flattery will not break the solid delegation that will go up from Texas to cast their ballot for Rev. J. H. Armstrong. We have quite an amount of letter matter in which the brethern from several other states are of the same mind that your humble correspondent is. Time will prove that we are right and are with the demand of the church.

We also observe that the Rev. C. W. Preston of St. Louis, is not the weakest man of the Central States Western Division. He cannot forget that memorable speech he delivered so gracefully with a perfect and bewitching delivery just before the election of Bishops Lee, Handy and Salters, in our last General Conference. Rev. Preston has the happy privilege of being well qualified for the highest office in the church of his choice; being acquainted with the Queen's English, Sciences, and classics coupled with a fair knowledge of Latin, Greek, and Hebrew. He is a successful pastor, a forcible preacher, possessing fine executive ability as a presiding officer. He is a picture of a Bishop and would be a living ornament on the bench of Bishops. We look forward to the day, when he shall no longer be represented as a picture of one of the highest prelates, but shall in reality be one of them. We shall say more at a subsequent time of this our brother, for we are in the arena to stay.

R. S. JENKINS, P. E.,

San Antonio, Tex.

TWILIGHT ON THE LAWN.

LADY ON THE LEFT:—"Yes, but Signor, you are speaking of white papers, but everyone admits The Freeman is the greatest of all Negro journals, and until the 30th of this month you can get it one year for Seventy-five Cents.

An Old Citizen Dead.

Trenton, N. J., Special.

W. S. Gibson and Theodore Duglis left last week to spend the summer at Atlantic City. J. H. Gardner is at Asbury Park for the season. Bishop J. W. Hood of the New Jersey A. M. E. Zion connection preached at St. Pauls A. M. E. Zion church last Wednesday evening. After services a collation was served the Bishop by the stewardess in the basement of the church. St. Paul A. M. E. Zion Sunday school is supplemented by Kelley Henton. Isaac Tebout, one of Trento'ns oldest citizens, died at his home, 407 Williams street Wednesday July 3rd in the 57th year of his age. He leaves a wife, three daughters and a son Rev S D. W. Smith pastor of the Laren street A M. E. church, Springfield, Mass., was the guest of S H Matthews, 310 North Willow street Mr. and Mrs Frank Fisher were in Philadelphia visiting. Charles Elesberry last Wednesday evening was elected Supt of the Mt. Zion A M. E. Sunday school.

Corner-stone Laid.

Muncie, Ind., Special.

The A. M. E. church will hold quarterly meeting Sunday. C. S. Timbers is able to be out again. George Benson was badly burnt by natural gas Saturday evening. Mrs. Harry Burnham and Miss Susie Lambkin will visit in Cincinnati this week. Mrs. Stewart, with her Sabbath School class, picniced at West-side park. Herman Frazier and brother, Grant, are in Toledo, O. W. E. Robbins and family spent the Fourth in Connersville. Mrs. Winslow and family have moved from Oxford, O., here. Harvey Phillips spent the Fourth at Lima. Mrs. Thomas Evans is out again. The corner-stone of the new M. E. church will be laid the fourth Sunday in July. Felix Harrold and sons, Kemper and Robert, spent the Fourth in Indianapolis. Miss Esther Stewart, sister of Rev. Stewart, left our city for Terre Haute. She will visit friends there after which she will go to her home at Seymour, Ind. The Japanese drill given at the A. M. F. church, under the management of Mrs. Akers, of Detroit., Mich.. was a grand affair. Persons desiring The Freeman leave word with Renan Robbins at No. 115 West Jackson street. Little Kenneth, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Jones, died Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. He was buried Tuesday from the residence.

Grand Tour of the Yellowstone National Park.

A select part will leave Toledo for a Tour of the Yellowstone Park returning by Duluth and Steamer. The round trip fare is $170 00 which includes every expense. Rates will be given on application from any station on the C. H & D. R. R. For itineracies and further information apply to any agent of the C. H. & D. R. R. or to Jno Bastable D. P. A., C. H. & D. R. R., Toledo, Ohio.

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RACE GLEANINGS

George Andrews, the colored wife murderer, of Belvidere, N.J. was hanged last week.

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The National Afro-American Press Association convened in Baltimore, Md., July 9-10-11.

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S. L. Conwell, of the State College of Dover, Del., will take a summer course at Harvard University.

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Frederick Pate, a colored balloonist, was killed last week while making an ascension at Battle Creek, Mich.

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Miss Viola Berry of St. Paul Minn., who graduated from that place last week, is the only colored one in a class of 112.

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Wm. A. Jefferson, messenger of the Fourteenth Street Bank, New York, is building a $3,000 house at Corona, L. I., which he will soon occupy.

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A Kansas City paper says that Sidney Woodward, the famous Boston tenor, who is concerting in the West and South will visit Denver during the N. E. A. convention.

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David Stahlcup of Indianapolis, Ind., was sentenced to life imprisonment last week for the murder of Ed Owens, also colored. Stahlcup stabbed Owens in a saloon last April.

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Dr. C. S. Robinson, a successful practicing physician of Jacksonville, Fla., died in that city recently at the age of 25 years. He was a graduate of Meharry Medical College, Nashville.

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Miss Lillian M. Forester, of New York, earned a diploma at the commencement of the New England Conservatory of Music, of Boston, Mass. This lady is the first Afro-American to receive a diploma from this institution.

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Granville T. Woods, the colored inventor has recently invented a new system of telegraphy. He has also a new motor patented. Altogether he has taken out thirty-five patents in various countries and has many more pending.

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Major Taylor, the "Dark Secret," of Indianapolis, won in the seventy-five mile bicycle road race from this city to Matthew, Ind., over thirty-six competitors, all white. The prize was a lot in the new town of Matthews, Ind., valued at $125.

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Billy Young, America's greatest colored comedian and sweetest singer, has signed with Mahara's Colored Minstrels for the season '95-'96. Mr. Young was formerly at the Keith Museum, New York City. He is a general favorite with all music loving people.

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Dr. Rufus L. Perry, the preacher, editor, author, scholar, died at his home in Brooklyn, Tuesday, June 18th. Dr. Perry was the author of a widely-read work. "The Cushite," and enjoyed the reputation of being one of the best educated men in America.

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President R. R Wright of the Georgia State Industrial College, left for Europe by the Urania, July 4th. He will visit London, Paris, Rome, Athens, Berlin and other cities of note before he returns. He goes to recuperate his health as well as to consult the chief libraries of the Old World.

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Missouri colored men met in a convention at St. Joseph, Mo., recently. About three hundred delegates were in attendence. The convention urged other States in the Union to call State conventions for the purpose of selecting delegates to a national convention to meet at Washington, D. C., in June 1896.

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I. Garland Penn, chief of the Negro department of the Atlanta Exposition, has appointed the following commissioners for the State of Indiana: A. E. Manning, Rev. T. W. Henderson, W. W. Christy, James M. Morton, Charles A. Webb, Mrs. C. A. Webb, Mrs. Lillian Thomas-Fox, Mrs. T. W. Henderson, Miss Nettie M. Christy and Mrs. Benjamin T. Thornton. It will be their duty to gather such exhibits as will show the progress and work of the Negro in this State.

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Bishop William Taylor has just arrived in this country from his fifth trip to Africa. He expresses himself as more deeply interested in Africa and more hopeful of its future than ever. During this tour he has visited all the Methodist stations on the West coast from Libriae to Angola and Congo District. He has traveled about 3,600 miles, mostly by means of small low steamers. In addition too, he has traveled inland through the Angola station, a distance of about 400 miles, principally on foot, He was not sick a day during his stay in Africa.

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The Literary and Historical Institute of the North Georgia, Georgia and Macon Conferences of the African Methodist Episcopal church, presided over by Bishop Abraham Grant, was in session last week at Bethel A. M. E. church, Atlanta, Ga. The proposed church exhibit at the Atlanta Exposition was brought before the body by Chief of Negro Department I. Garland Penn, and the body unanimously endorsed the exhibit on motion of Rev. Dr. R. R. Downs of Savannah, Ga. Bishop Grant spoke encouragingly of the exhibit, and urged the ministers to have the churches well represented.

SPECIAL RATES

Via the Big Four Route Will be Named For the Following Meetings:

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Write nearest agent "Big Four Route" for particulars. E. O. McCormick, passenger traffic manager; D. B, Martin, general passenger and ticket agent.

Shot at in the Court House.

Clarksville Tenn., Special.

Usher B. Ford shot at Dick Carney in the court-house June 27th. Carney it is said, testified against the former's wife in a larceny suit. The citizens of the city met at the court-house July 1, for the purpose of discharging principal R. L. Yancey, but the board is firm. The Young Men's Minstrel Club gave a delightful concert at Graham's Hall July 1st. A big time was given in the grove on July 4th by the "Guiding Star Band."

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NORMAL NOTES.

Industrious Students—Shoes for Gov. Oates—In Society.

Normal, Ala., Special.

President Councill spent several days in South Alabama and Georgia. Mr. Melton is expecting his sister from Atlanta who will spend a few weeks at Normal. W. L. Councill is demonstrating to all that he is the right man for the right place. Since he has been general manager the appearance of the campus in general has improved 90 per cent. The new spring house erected by our coming young carpenter, Wm. Stephens, adds greatly to the natural beauty of the spring. Every department of industry is open in full operation except the broom factory, which has closed downfor the summer. The girls are having a breathing spell in the canning department. This will not continue long, for there are fully as many more peaches to ripen as they have already canned, aside from the pears, quince, apricots and blackberries which are yet to come. But a Normal girl, a real Normal girl, does not mind having work to do. We have had plenty of rain during the past two weeks.

Miss Ida Councill is in Cincinnati. Her trip to Canada was defered on account of illness in the family of Miss Fayette, with whom she was traveling. Miss Duncan of Columbia, Tenn., arrived this week Miss Duncan is an artist of rare ability, and will put Normal on canvas to be sent to the Atlanta Exposition. Every effort is making for a first class exhibit of the school. We make no hesitation in saying that Normal will be the Fair. Miss Derrick, our kind-hearted matron, was quite ill for two or three days. Our guest Mrs. Thomas, has quite won a warm place in the hearts of all Normalites. Mr. Lowery, our energetic shoe maker, shiped a pair of shoes to Gov. Oates a few days ago. Mr. Lowery may not be able to analyze the sun's rays and give the exact number of miles we are from the luminary; he may not be able to "scrutinize an atom and grasp the universe," but if he can't tell just how much cowcuticle it takes to hide your brick pressers, no man can. He has the rare faculty of fitting the eye and the foot. The blacksmith shop, in charge of Mr. Edwards, is always a busy place. And so far it pertains to the foot, we can borrow and hang the sign of an inn in the time of Dickens; "accommodation for man and beast."

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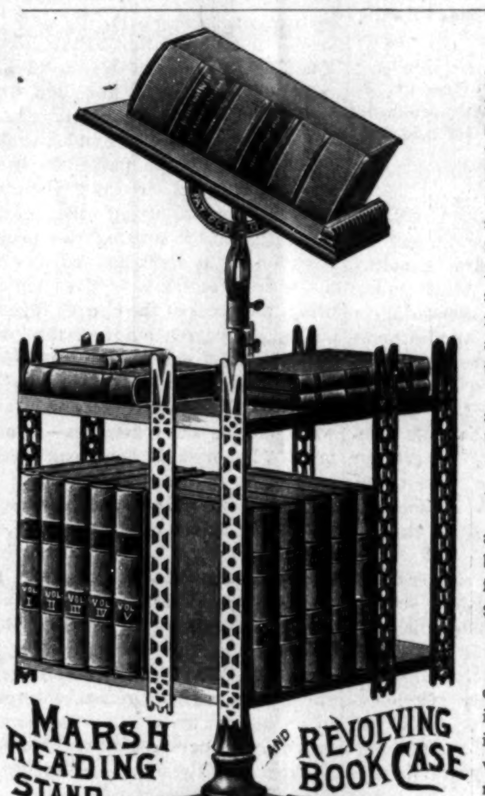

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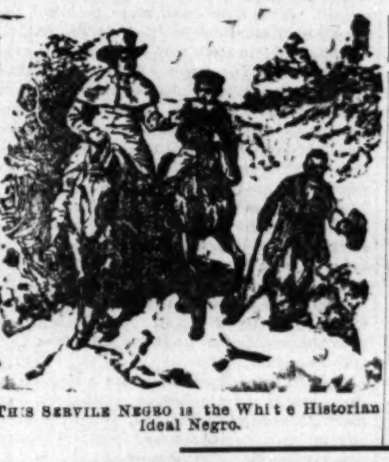

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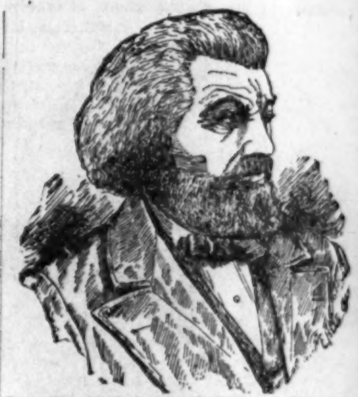

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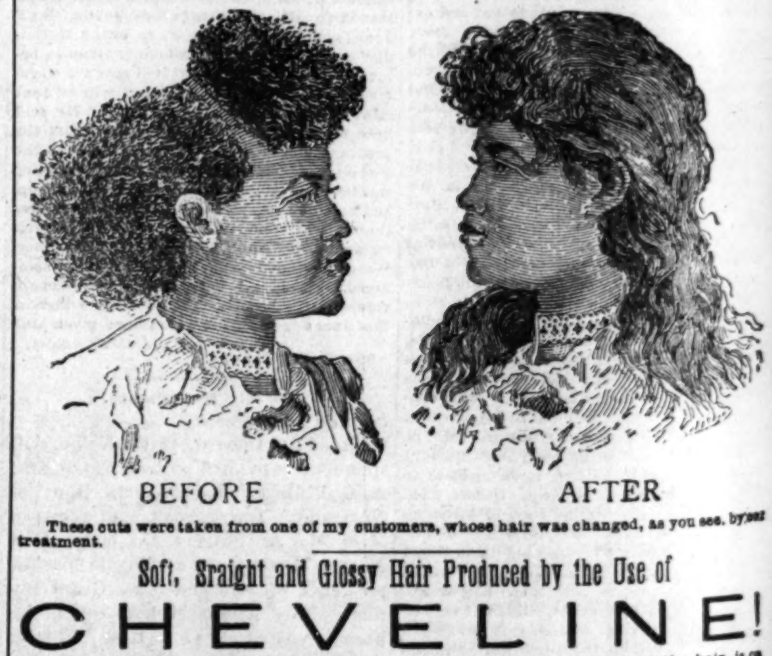

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And I as rich in having such a jewel,
As twenty seas, if all their sands were pearl,
The water nectar, and the rocks pure gold."
—Shakespeare.

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Men soon forget what they, themselves have said, but their memories singularly retentive of what their wives have said to them.

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Cream Dressing—Take thick cream and dilute it with about one-fourth vinegar, season with salt, pepper, mustard and one tablespoonful of sugar.

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Hair cloth petticoats are entirely too heavy for summer wear and a good substitute is one of mohair, cut exactly as if it were a dress. Stiffen with fine rows, quite close together, of narrow whalebone made for this purpose.

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The old saying that "the way to a man's heart is down his throat," and that "a man well fed is easily led," remains as true as ever, but the aesthetic side of his nature has its needs, and craves a neat home and a wife that is pleasant to look upon.

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French Dressing—Two-thirds oil and one-third vinegar, season with pepper and salt to taste. Pour out the vinegar; add the oil slowly, stirring constantly. Cut a small onion in four pieces and let stand in this mixture for half hour, stirring occasionally. About six tablespoonfuls of dressing is sufficient for an ordinary salad.

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Boiled Salad Dressing—One tablespoonful of mustard and one of fine sugar, half as much salt and a pinch of pepper. Melt a tablespoonful of butter and add to it two eggs well beaten, half cup of vinegar and half pint of milk. Place vessel in a pot of boiling water and stir until it thickens. If kept covered this dressing will keep for a week or more.

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Vegetable salads are delicious when one needs something piquant to pick the appetite. They can be made of tomato, celery, green string beans, dandelion, cauliflower, potato, cucumber, asparagus and cabbage, besides the ever popular lettuce.

Cold potatoes cut in dice and laid on a bed of lettuce can be covered with cream dressing.

Dandelion salad is made of the young leaves of the plant, thoroughly washed, soaked in cold water for an hour, shaken dry and saturated with French dressing.

Lettuce should be put in cold water to make a crisp, and shaken d y in a napkin before being dressed.

Green beans are cooked, cut in two-inch pieces, laid on a bed of lettuce and covered with French dressing.

Asparagus is boiled, the tough part of the stalks removed, the remainder cut in short lengths and covered with mayonnaise.

Cauliflower is separated into sprigs, the tender part of the stalk cut fine, and covered with mayonnaise. It must not be boiled too long or it becomes dark.

Cabbage is eaten raw, shredded fine, soaked in French dressing and covered with boiled dressing.

Cucumbers are thinly sliced, soaked in ice water and then French dressing.

Tomatoes are scalded to remove the skin, cut in slices when cold, and served with a spoonful of mayonnaise or boiled dressing on each slice.

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A man expects his wife to be better than he. No matter how little religion a man may have himself his ideal wife is always a woman with the purity of soul that only a Christian can have; and to a good man it is usually part of his religion to believe that his wife is morally higher and nobler than himself.

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Some comfortable summer materials for children are the "broider" fabrics, employed for yokes, and May flax in light yellow tones. Hats, bonnets, caps and frocks all are made to match. There is a fabric in broche or floral satin cloth that washes well, and makes excellent blouses in ivory white, not cream. Many trimmings for washing dresses are made to button on, for this saves the trouble of sewing after every washing day.

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Men are grateful for forbearance in their wives. For often while asserting boldly that they are right, they are frequently conscious that they are wrong. Give them a little time, a little silence and they will often show in action—rarely in words that they have been mistaken. It is a good idea for a women to learn early the same novelty and variety that attracts a man before marriage is sure to be doubly attractive to him after. Do not neglect your husband any more than you did your lover. Meet him with that same sweet smile, don the neat, clean evening gown and always have him know that you were exspecting him. Be frank and honest with him above all things, give your best advice and you will be the happy wife.

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For summer morning wear the cotton blouse and stuff or silk skirt are not only tidier to look upon than a wrapper, but are, I verily believe, more comfortable to wear. I do not advise too high a collar, nor a straining after tailor effects, but instead a soft, easy-fitting blouse, held in at the waist-line by draw-strings, and having its collar and cuffs somewhat stiffer than the bodice proper. The wash-silk blouse, those seen at the best shirtmakers, are quite soft and have a very high turnedover collar, and cuffs to match, stiffened with buckram. The short-throated woman must be considered, in so catering to her there is offered to her a rather small sailor collar on her blouse, either of embroidery or muslin, with a narrow lace frill on the edge. A soft silk tie is looped in a bow and ends are knitted in sailor fashion as is best liked.

The Merry Christmas Knights.

Ft. Smith, Ark., Special.

Thursday night June 27th the regular monthly dance and literary social of the "Merry Christmas Knights" took place. At 9:30 Miss Celestine Johnson recited a beautiful poem. Mrs. Alice C. Stewart read a paper on "Failures" Mr. E. E. McDaniel made some good points ahd closed with a plaintive appeal to vote old Terpsicoria precedence in the evening exercises. At 12 o'clock supper was taken. Mrs. Ada Chism acted as hostess. She was assisted by Mesdames Minnie Johnson, Burney, Alice Stewart, Winston, Thomas, Misses Lillian Bell, Lela M. Miller, Annie Lewis, Susie Whiting, Messrs. Earnest Price, H. Malory and John Walker, were the honored guests of the evening. Others present were: Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Thomas, Col. and Mrs. W. E. Joshenberger, Capt. and Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. George Miller, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McDaniel, Miss Celestine, Johnson, Messrs. James Williamson, B. F. Kave, Joe Hensley, Rube Powell, Joe Thomas.

Excursion—Picnic.

Salem, Ala., Special.

Miss Roberta Olive, of Meridian, Miss., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. J. S. Curtis, Lawrence street. She will also visit friends in Montgomery, Ala. The Good Samaritans ran an excursion to Mobile on the 8th. The Odd Fellows held a picnic on the 4th, and a big banquet at night in honor of Supreme Master, J. W. Crosburne.

Broke Her Left Leg.

East St. Louis, Mo., Special.

At noon last Saturday, Mrs. J. Pollard, the venerably mother of Judge Jeff, fell down the steps at her home, 1435 Manchester Road, and broke her left leg above the knee. Mrs, Pollard is sixty-eight years of age and very infirm having been an invalid for several years. She was going down the steps when she lost her balance and fell. The attending physicians state that not withstanding her advanced age she will recover.

Kindly Words for our Representative

EDITOR FREEMAN:

We feel highly appreciated by having been visited by your most worthy agent, Mr. Grant S. Neal. in whom we have hope for the future. He has, through his earnest work and magnetic influence, placed The Freeman in the homes of our best families, by which I think they will be greatly benefitted. His whole heart seems to be in the work. We hope for him success in every town and city that he may visit. Come to see us again Mr. Neal, we shall always be glad to see you.

Yours for God and the race,
M. C. W.
Camden, Ark., July 1, '95.

Hot Springs, Ark., the Carlsbad of America.

On Feb. 17th the Iron Mountain railway put into service a new special train to Hot Springs It will leave St. Louis Union Station at 8:30 p. m. daily, arriving at Hot Springs 12:30 the next noon. This train will be handsomely equipped with coaches, free reclining chair cars and Pullman sleepers. Hot Springs is constantly growing in popularity as a sanitarium for invalids, on account of the extraordinary curative properties of its waters, and also, as a fashionable winter resort, by reason of its delightful climate, beautiful scenery and excellent hotel accommodations. Descriptive pamphlets mailed free on application to Coke Alexander, District Passanger Agent, Jackson Place, Indianapolis, Ind.

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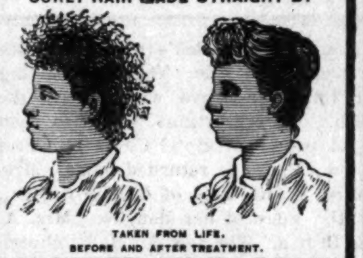

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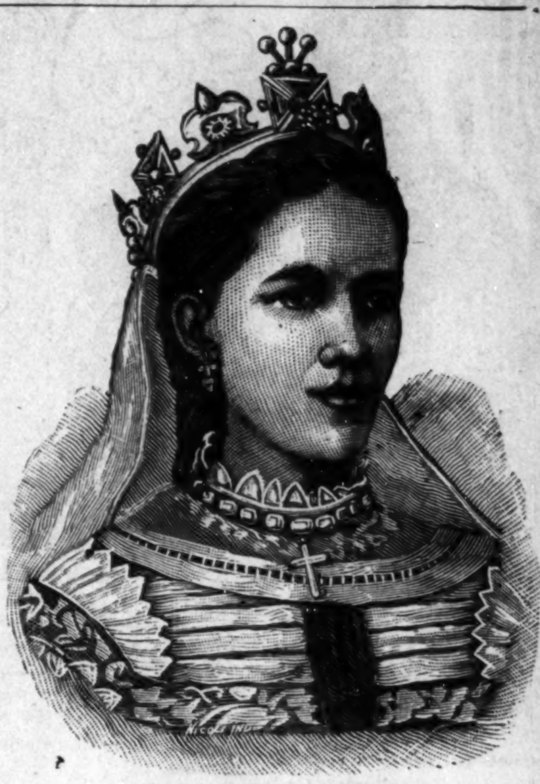

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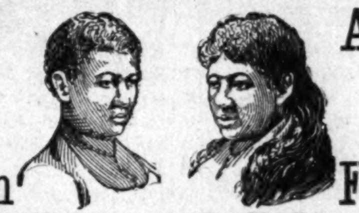

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Picnic at Blue River Park, Friday July 19th.

Mrs Laura Gaines will leave tomorrow for Keokuk, Ia.

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Master Mack Bird of Kokomo, Ind, is in the city the guest of relatives

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Andrew Quinn left with John C. New Wednesday for Dartford Green Lake Wis.

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Chas Humble formerly of this city, has gone to Paris, Ky, to reside permanently.

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Mrs Emma Daniels and family of Thomasville, Ga, are permanently located in the city.

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Miss Lizzie Weaver of Marion, was a guest of Mrs. Leota Motts, Second st., last week.

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Messrs. Lon McKinney, Babe Gordon and Henry Harris, of Lebanon, Tenn., are in the city.

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Mr. and Mrs Johnson of Danville, Ind, spent the 4th in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Hall, N Bright street.

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Misses Ada Harris and Ida B Hall left last Monday evening on the C. E train for Boston, Mass They will be gone two or three weeks.

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An entertainment will be given by Lovely Lane church, and Bethel Mission Sunday-school next Thursday night at that church, Public invited.

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The Denison House Ball Club defeated the Browns last Thursday July 4th, 16 to 12. Hoosier Robinson and Wilson were the wining battery. Address all challenges to Henry Robinson, Denison Hotel.

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Personal Mention.

Mr. Ed Woodlow was a recent guest of Miss Miller of 624 N. Pennsylvania street, and Mr. Marten 418 N East street.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Woods of Louisville, Ky, parents of Mrs J P, Shepherd are visiting her, also Mrs John Barber of Louisville, Ky.

Mrs Belle Cary, late of Montreal, Canada, sister of Mrs Landonia Williams 518 N. West street, is expected in the city daily on her return from an extended trip throughout portions of the South

New Church Organized.

What will be known as the Free Independent Baptist Church was organized at North Indianapolis June the 10 Rev. G P. Hervey was selected as pastor, F. M. Louckland clerk. The number of charter members were ten Meeting will be held each Sabbath at Miller's Hall, corner Odell and Lulu streets.

The Thornton Case.

The case known as the Thornton case in whicg plaintiff asked for a mandamus, compelling the admission of his child to a white school nearest his home, adversely decided last Tuesday by Judge McMaster, of the Superior Court. We will in our next have something to say thereto.

Signed With Mahara.

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Personal Mention.

Water Valley, Miss., Special.

Mr. R. Blanca will commence to teach school at Oak Grove in a few days. Miss Julia Hawkins left last week for Canton, Miss. The Rev. pastor of the C. M. E. church is up again. The G. U. O. of O. F. will meet here on August 6th. Rev. Davis, pastor of the Baptist church, preached here last Sunday at 11 o'clock. The Baptists have taking possession of their new church.

Officers Elected and Installed.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

Mrs. Jordan arrived in this city on on the 29th ult. Two grand entertainments were given at Pleasant Hill Baptist church on the 27th and 29th. Prof. H. A. Wheeler returned to this city on July 1st. The K. of P's gave their public installation at Ferguson's Hall on the 1st inst. Music was furnished by the S. C. Brass Band of this city. Mrs. Shelton of Leeper, Mo., was in this city on the 2nd inst., en-route to Batesville, Ark., to visit her mother. Miss Bertha Williams of this city, left July 1st for Leeper, Mo., and returned on the evening train. The G. U. O. of O. F. initiated three members on the 29th ult viz: Messrs. Frank Moody, William Tarnish and J. Taylor. Miss Mallie Redmond left this city recently. The True Elevens had their installation July 4th. Mr. John Roberson is better. Mr. William Wadlington is sick. Mr. C. Bell arrived in this city recently. Mr. Daniel Bostic arrived in this city July 4th. Miss Albertie Gray, the sister of Mrs. Tennie Simpson and Miss Luella Harris of Batesville, Ark., and Mr. George Shelton of Leeper, Mo., arrived in this city on the 3rd inst., and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Simpson on July the 4th. Rev. H. F. Bletson of Belmont, Mo., was in the city on the 5th inst. The elected officers installed are as follows viz:

GENTLEMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

Messrs. Chas. H. Hicks, C. of S.; J. J. Redmond, Lieutenant Chief; Dr. B. E. Henderson, F. S.; A. Petty, C. S.; J. S. Holt, Banker, Rev. H. F. Johnson, Abbott, Dr. W. C. Combs orator, J. N. Ried, R. C. Solomon Shanklin, L. C.; A. D. Hicks, F. W.; Jas. Marten, S. W.

LADIES DEPARTMENT.

Mrs. Ida Simmons, V. S.; E. Kelley, A. V.; Hattie Hicks, F. C.; Mary Craine, R. S.; Edith Walker, Banker; F. M. Johnson Abbess, Susie Powers, L. L.; Mary Smith, R. Adviser; Mary Williams, L. Adviser; Georgia Marten, F. S.; Anna Dunn, S. S. After the installation refreshments were served, and all participated in enjoying a grand time. Miss Savannah Baily, Mrs. Tennie Simpson and Dr. J. E. Henderson visited Mrs. L. Houston during her illness.

The Pretty Children's Drill.

Metropolis City, Ill., Special.

The people of Metropolis on Thursday July 4th, assembled at the A. M. E. church and witnessed a magnificent children's drill under the guidance of Mrs. F. T. Harvey, of Springfield, Ill. From the church she gave a beautiful street parade, to the city park where a grand picnic was given. Prominent speakers were heard. Among the number were Rev. B. W. Stewart, pastor of the A. M. E. church, Dr. Swan, Prof. T. L. Jones and Judge B. O. Jones. Music was afforded by the "Reed Cornet Band." An excursion arrived from Paducah, Ky., about 11 o'clock and also another about 7 p. m. Revs. Hancock and Moore, were here last week in the interest of the Freewill Baptist church. Prof. T. L. Jones has formed a class in vocal music at the brick school building. Mrs. George Blackwell's sister is here from Texas. Mr. James Robinson visited Mr. Aaron Malone Carbondale, Ill., last week. The A. M. E. church and the Grand Army have consolidated to observe and celebrate the first day of August here this year.

Will Celebrate.

Morgantown, West Va., Special.

The entertainment at the M. E. church Friday night was well attended. Mrs. Robert R. Robison and little daughter Helen of Uniontown, Pa., are guests of Mrs. A. H. Brown on Front street. Link O'Hair of Pittsburg, Pa., is foreman of A. G. Smith's tonsorial parlor on Walnut street. The Emancipation Proclamation will be celebrated here on Sept. 24th. The picnic given by Messrs. Burnett Anderson, W. P. Clark and Miss Nannie Johnson at Hedrick's Grove July 4th was very enjoyable. The camp meeting at Johnson's Grove will last till the 13th. George Atkins who has been head porter at Hotel Cheat at Cheat View, Pa., has returned home. Mrs. Mary E. Rhoades of Uniontown, Pa., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. H. Brown. The new A. M. E. church will be ready to hold services in by July 25th. A move has been started to organize a lodge of True Reformers. A. G. Smith will teach our public school. John H. Huffman (white) died Monday morning. He was a true friend to the colored man. He gave to the A. M. E. congregation the ground on which their church now stands. The members of the above church under the direction of their pastor, Rev. Eli McKnight, attended the funeral of their deceased friend.

Specials for Monday.

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A Pleasant "Tea."

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

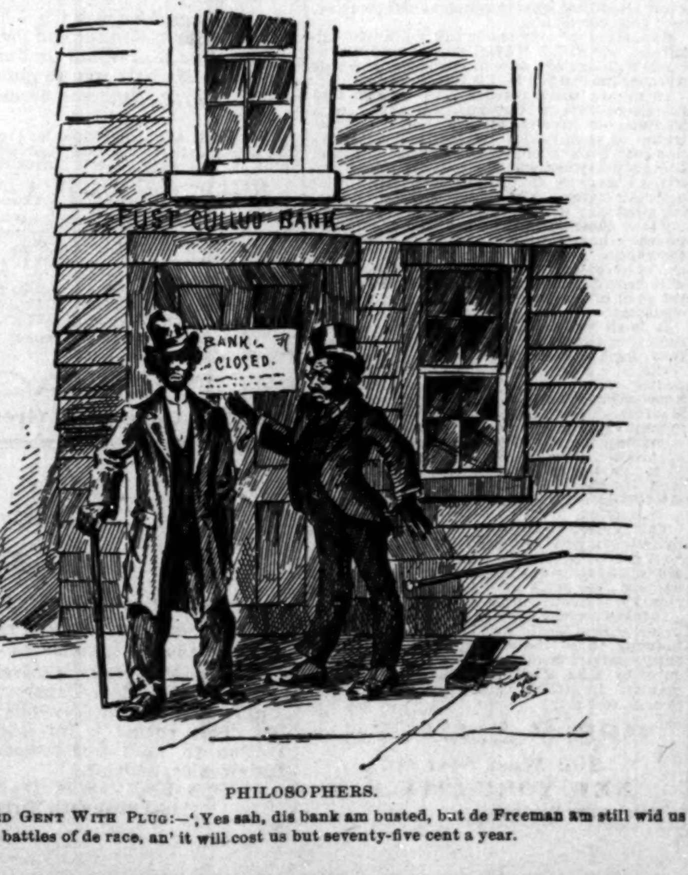
Mrs. Davis Wilson is sick. E. L. Peacock has returned from his trip. Mrs. Edward Barnes left on the 4th. She will join her husband at Birmingham, Ala. A tea at W. E. Cartwright's, given in honor of Mesdames Ed. Barns, S. M. Lowe and Miss Mattie Howard with a few select guests—Miss Irene McKiney, Prof. and Mrs. J. C. McAdams, Prof. R. P. Purdy, Dr. V. D. Turner and W. H. Gosling. The entertainment given by the Oak Leaf club at the home of Miss Cindia Washington and was very nice.

On the 4th the Murfreesboro nine played the Shelbyville nine. The home boys came off best. On the 6th the Belbuckle nine played the boys of the city. It was a tie. The entertainment given by Rev. J. A. Jones and others in the college yard on the 4th was a success. Miss E. J. Little and her little niece, Miss Emma, went to visit her brother at Chattanooga on the 3rd. Your scribe will lecture for the interest of the Sunday school ar Wartrace on the 19th. He has many calls these days, amd all those that are close readers of The Freeman will be able to tell the same thing—when he or she is called. Get it at W. H. Gosling's store.

Social Flashes.

Newport, Ark., Special.

Mr. W. L. Laporte of Little Rock, is here. Mr. Didd Riggs of Weldon, visited us last week. Miss Georgia McDonald left Sunday for Saratoga, N. Y. The excursion from Brinkley was a lively crowd. Miss Minnie Holly has returned from Tuckerman. Jas. Stanback has gone to Brinkly. Mrs. L. Spencer is sick. Quite a number of teachers were in for examination Friday and Saturday. Miss Alice DeHart of Augusta, was the guest of Mrs. A. L. Spencer. Miss Irene Highly of Cotton Plant, was one of the excursionists. Subscribe for The Freeman, the best Negro journal on earth. Only "six bits" this month. Comrade Palace No. 13, M. T. A. rendered a literary program Tuesday night. Installation indefinately postponed. Miss Ivory McDonald will spend the summer in Colorado.



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